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Last Sunday evening I had the pleasure of

Around Town.

Can we deny that men are raised up for a purpose and their vision made clear and their lives lengthened amidst extraordinary vicissitudes? Must we not admit, no matter how our feelings may be disturbed by the petty things that surround us and the dull eyes which see so little save that which is ordid and personal, that

There's a divinity that shapes our ends, Rough-hew them how we will.

Arising from out the clamor of politics and taking a place in the hearts of the people and in the control of the nation, men sometimes occupy conspicuous places without a reason sufficient to satisfy even those who have been most active in placing them there. An inexplicable affection is born in the heart of the masses, so steadfast and gentle that mistakes are overlooked and sins forgiven, and thus, even when magnified by the frailty of the popular hero and intensified by the unscrupulous criticism of ambitious rivals, grave errors of judgment make no impression on those who usually are hard to satisfy and easy to make afraid. Words which would be of light weight if heard from the lips of others, are held to be pearls of wisdom as the people's hero defends his cause and outlines his policy. Every movement, every gesture is noticed, remembered and quoted. Other men apparently superior in ability, attainments and virtue, when placed in comparison are ridiculed, defeated or despised until it sometimes seems as if it were useless to oppose or endeavor to direct the enormous power which popular en-thusiasm or inscrutable fate has placed in the hands of this leader of the people. Time in its progress, the moon in its changes, the sun in its seasons seem to evolve from the Uncontrollable those things which destroy others while they uplift and make more secure the chosen one, who sometimes seems to scarcely under stand and seldom to direct the fortunes of the hour. Unless extraordinary foresight or an instinct akin to inspiration guides such men, we must become believers in blind luck, the fool's fatalism, the despair of those who fight against the Unseen.

Among such men that the gods seem to have made great, Sir John Macdonald is the most conspicuous example in the history of Canada. Unless we believe in the fatalism of the heathen or the God of the Christian, it would be difficult, if not impossible, to conceive of the depth, breadth and meaning of so singular a career. I shall not endeavor to add to the vast volume of so-called biography and hazy remin iscence which at the present moment is delug-ing the country. Of the birth, youth and early struggles of Sir John, every one has had an opportunity to inform himself. All those who have touched his hand or heard his voice have hastened to obscure the true meaning of his life by the repetition of stories and the recital of stale descriptions of trivial events. No man who feels an aptitude for public life or the stirring within him of genius, need fear the censoriousness of a public which forgave so many early mistakes and social errors. Even those things which in a trivial life ostracize men, are nothing but milestones in the history of that virility which leads captive mankind We may wonder as we watch, we may suffer as we wait, but true courage, persistence and man's belief in himself and his possibilities overcome all things. We are born, and whence cometh the mainspring of our life we know not. The things which control us, the circum stances which evolve us, the fates which make us triumph we cannot understand; but the lives of all men who are, or have been, great makes plain the principle that the children of genius cannot for long be obscured by defeat. Nor hath it entered into the mind mark at birth or proclaim at death the names of those who have been specially upraised.

Amidst changes for which many contended and against which thousands fought, during a reconstruction of constitutions, the confedera tion of provinces, the control of innumerable diverse interests Sir John held his place. While the chiefs of mighty factions fought and fell, while a new geography was planned, a new constitution created, while a revolution was begun and ended, while questions were discussed and fouds engendered this great man whose greatness was denied by his opponents and admitted without explicable reason by his friends, maintained his supremacy. Promises were made without regard to the possibility of fulfillment. Friends besought him, enemies benieged him, and yet amilingly in the midst of such conflicts the great old man jested with his friends, jeered at his enemies, triumphed when other men would have been overwhelmed and became the idol of the people when men esteemed greater were offered in sacrifice.

It would be unbecoming in speaking of departing greatness to make any attempt to overlook or belittle those special qualities so seldom recognized as the central and control ling influence of a successful life. If skill as a orician were to be the standard by which we judge statesmen, Edward Blake would long ago have superseded Sir John. If capacity for detail, rugged honesty of purpose, a contempt for those things by which ordinary politicians intrench themselves were recognized, Alexander Mackenzie even in palsied age would be still premier. If being the son of a sect and the apostle of a creed were to make a man supreme, Sir John would have neither attained nor retained

power to divine that which should be done and that which must happen. Associated with this phase of life, invariably it seems to me, is the happy knack of making friends, which until the tide turns and great things are to be accomplished is often the unfortunate tendency to make enemies. The man who knows what is to take place and is thoroughly convinced of what should and must come about, is impatient and often unpopular until he is intrusted with the management of affairs and can demonstrate the correctness of his theories. Accident or the design of Providence early placed Sir John in a position where he could prove his aptness as a leader of men and the director of affairs. Long continued success, an almost reckless disregard of the opinion of others, a buoyant cheerfulness, an unobtrusive egotism which only betrayed itself in his apparent faith that he was born to live and be supreme, characterized Sir John from the beginning and

to strengthen attack, improper motives served or die unregretted. It is an undying first suggest themselves. I do not conceive it to be that empty charity which leads us to to forfeit their name, forget their past, nor to speak well of the dying or the dead, when we discover a grand and beautiful purpose, thoroughly Canadian and gloriously great, in the life which is just about to close. Cruel criticism has made the path to these grand aims a penitential progress, and yet there has never been a career without regard to personal comfort, luxury or self-indulgence which did not open itself to the attack of those who cannot conceive of either patriotism or grandeur of impulse in what can be misrepresented as corrupt selfishness or dishonorable ambition. As this great career, lasting through so many years, conspicuous amidst events which might have obliterated us from the list of nations or caused our absorption by voracious neighbors, grew to the highest point of its eminence, those who waited anxiously for it to close proentered into that valorous fight for life which | claimed that the popular appreciation and sup-

forego the future which is within their grasp.

The difficulty experienced by the people of mentally selecting a successor, is at once an evidence of the solitary supremacy of Sir John and the forgetfulness of one absorbed in a great task to do as Longfellow did, when as the aged anniversarian of his class in college he wrote Mortuari Salutamus, "We who are about to die salute you." It may be that a last will and testament may be discovered giving the ideas of the dead Premier as to the disposal of the vast estate which he has so long administered. Even should there be no such voice from the past, we have the impulse of a great people and leaders who have been brought out by the events which marked our evolution from a group of colonies. Sir !John Thompson is said to be sagacious, but is ob-

being one of the audience at the Auditorium presided over by the Rev. J. M. Wilkinson. It is not my favorite place of religious resort, but advertisements in the evening papers announced that the subject in the evening would be, "SATURDAY NIGHT and the Sunday Question." The repute of this place of theological amusement and the notoriety that the reverend adventurer Small has acquired as a pulpit performer, together with a certain personal interest in the subject announced, caused me to foregather with the others who sought to be entertained. Those who have followed the newspaper reports of the sayings and doings of this itinerant showman Small, must be aware that personal attack and vituperative injustice are his chief stock in trade, and therefore can appreciate my desire to hear how unworthy a person I was likely to be shown to be. I admit that I yielded to a personal curiosity rather than a religious impulse when I directed my steps to the place where one is expected to drop a fragment of silver into a box watched over by an eager-eyed individual, who endeavors to make it unpleasant for the one who deposits anything less than a quarter. I noticed, how-ever, that the recorded opinion of those who had entered suggested five cents as quite sufficient payment for the speeches, songs and

As in other such places of entertainment of the cheap and irregular sort, the audience had to listen to a fluent description of future attractions in the shape of lady artists of the theological variety, and unusual features by unusual people. We were told how to get in and get out, how cool and healthy the building was as a place to spend the evening. The manager explained that his attractions were possibly not always quite up to the mark : that an orchestra, even when composed of or assisted by a fiddle, could not be despised; that he personally was willing to stand on his head or do anything else within his power to attract the unchurched masses. After this odd prelude we sang Rock of Ages, that sweet and soothing old hymn; then a more modern air which a very gentle-voiced little lady led, heard a prayer delivered in which the most minute instructions were given to the Almighty how to act for the coming week, and then we sang Jesus Lover of my Soul-inimitable in its pathetic appeal and soaring faith; heard some more business announcements as to who was to occupy the chief place on coming dates, and finally the opening medley closed with the price of tickets for the grand stand during the coming season. I confess to a feeling of something akin to horror at this association of business enterprise and spiritual guidance. However, it is all a matter of habit and indirectly a feature of the Sunday night entertainments afforded by such shrewd managers as Bro. Wilkinson whose attractions, consisting of hypnotic lecturers, Scottish singers, Stanley, Small and other stars, have rivalled during the past season those of O. B. Sheppard and the proprietors of the Cyclorama and the Musee. Unless the receipts of the various houses are published as the street car returns have been, we cannot give more than a general guess as to comparative success.

After the preliminaries, occupying three quarters of an hour, the Rev. Sam Small, D.D., a gentleman whose titles both 'fore and aft are more or less disputed, was introduced. As a successful caterer for Sunday amusement Mr. Small occupies a deservedly high place. Incidentally, and with an unction which few can comprehend who have not a thorough acquaintwith the art, Mr. Small is a revivalist, and since Sam Jones went into politics is probably at the head of his profession as a Sunday of cert hall star. It might be unkind to suggest that financially he is supposed to be making as fine a salary as there is to be found in his profession, nor should we grudge him a fee for what is generally supposed to be a good work, no greater than that earned by others whose variety business is not superior and is more or less connected with the sale of beer. Under such circumstances it is proper to accord the palm to the man who follows the higher walk of his profession and is coustquently able to incidentally do some good.

In his introduction Mr. Small admitted that the Sunday question is becoming an imminent problem in the United States. He did not tell us why, except that it is a moral question and must be decided as such. Moral questions, he urged, admit of no compromise. Whisky being wrong, it must be banished; the observance of the Sabbath being right, it must be made complete. His text he took from the second chapter of Mark, 27th and 28th verses : "And He said unto them, the Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath, therefore the Son of Man is Lord also of the Sabbath." Man was created before the Sabbath, consequently he was not created for the Sabbath, but the Sabbath was created for him." This wrs the first exclamatory effort of Mr. Small. He followed this by stating that our Sabbath was not the Jewish Sabbath. Logically I am unaware of the existence of any but the Jewish Sabbath which is Saturday, not Sunday. The Lord's day, which is Sunday, was initiated by our Saviour, and its observance, as far as I am informed, was not imperative except that His people wers told "not to forsake the assum-bling of themselves together on the first day of the week," and in another instance "that when they were assembled together to brusk bread (the commemoration of the Lord's Supper)



Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald.

betokened the departure from earth of a spirit | port which Sir John had received marked a | jected to because of his creed. Sir Charles such as is not usually confined by so feeble a tenement of clay.

The central feature of his life and policy was his Canadianism. I presume that there has been no observant man who has not thought out or contended for some different course, ome more radical method than was pursued by Sir John. Yet after the lapse of so many years it is more or less evident that the imperialism of the Premier's idea, the compromises that seemed un-Canadian, the adoption of methods which had they been used without a grand and glorious purpose would have been almost indefensible, were absolutely necessary to the fulfillment of a purpose, were a part of the plan of a mind illumined by genius and directed by the sacred fire of patrio

Sir John was a self-contained man. He was hail fellow with everybody; he seemed to lean upon many, counselled with a select few, but after all he stood absolutely alone. Who can fail to sympathize with the loneliness of a life throughout which it was impossible to confide in any man or at any moment to open his heart to the gaze of the multitude, lest a sinister meaning be discovered as the shadow of his worthiest impulse! When we sit together and endeavor to find a good meaning, it the confidence of the people. Then there seems is not hard to discover a patriotic purpose, to be something behind all these things, some , while to those in opposition and anxious

lamentable degeneracy of public appreciation the decay of honor and a putridity of political morals so astounding as to be indescribable. . .

Now, a nation of mourners, as we mentally pass the casket in which the dead Premier lies, as we stand and whisper about the doors through which the departed one shall pass, as we observe the corridors of our political struct ure draped in mourning, as the flags fly at half mest and the hells toll, it is as easy for us to forget the trivial blemishes in a great life as to hush in our ears the sound of the petulant words and to hide from our eyes the frown of a loved one personally dear. It is said that womankind mourn most and weep longest for those who die. Sir John has somehow be part of every household, and women who had by no means been taught to revers him have everywhere contributed by their tears to the gentle rain of sorrow, which seldom in the history of the world has moistened the unbeautiful earth about a grave. Men busy, apparently unfeeling, rough of speech and often careless of the feelings of others, spoke gently when asking "What news of Sir John?" and went upon their way sorrowful when told that he was dying. Such a general tribute, such a gen uine recognition of patriotism, such a downfall of tears make memorable the departure of one whose death will be a national calamity. It is a proof that a true Canadian shall not live unob-

Tupper is the choice of those who because they anticipate trouble want a fighting man. Mr Abbott is suggested by those who want a compromise. The proposals, the names and the thoughts they suggest are features of our history. To enter into their merits would be to describe the conditions under which we live; to predict the name or describe the character of anyone who can permanently succeed Sir John would be to outline something akin to a revolution, or to define a series of further compromises that the enemies of liberty have not yet defined and which true patriots have hardly admitted as a dread possibility. The result we need not dread. The world is too old to be again wrapped in the swaddling clothes of superstition. Canada has outlived her infantile weakness. It is not now the question of a skilful nurse or a proper tutor, but of commercial and industrial astute ness such as befits an adult. That D'Alton McCarthy will have a share in shaping our future and have a place in all honorable and workable alliances which are to be made, seems certain. He who can forsake temporal profit in the pursuit of that which is right and consequently must be permanent, deserves to succeed, and the element which looks to him as its exponent being the one which is strongest and is, it seems to me, best, we need not fear that it shall have its proper recognition and influence in directing the counsels of Canada.

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CHAPTER XXIX.

GRAPTER XXIX.

FROM THE WARM WILD KISS TO THE COLD.

Gerard traveled as fast as trains and boat would take him, but it was noon on the second day after he had left Florence before he arrived at the nearest station to Lowcombe, with the prospect of half an hour's drive behind an indifferent horse before he could reach the Rosary and know the worst. He was alone, He had sent his valet to Hillersdon House, and had resolutely refused Jermyn's company, although Jermyn had urged that he was hardly in a state of health to risk a solitary journey, or the consequences of further ill news.

"If there is anything worss to be told, you could not help me to bear the blow," Gerard answered, gloomly. "Nor would she care to see you with me. You were no favorite of hers, and perhaps if it had not been for you I should never have left her."

They had searched all the morning papers they could obtain during the journey from Dover to Charing Cross, to discover any paragraph that might record the calamity at Low-combe—for any report of the inquest on the infant, or the rescus of the mother. It was at least some relief to find no such record. Whatever had happened, the report had, by happy chance or kindly influence, been kept out of the papers. Hester's name and Hester's woe were not bandied about in a social leader, or even made the subject of a paragraph.

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Gerard reached Lowcombe, therefore, in absolute ignorance of anything that might have happened since Mr. Muller's letter was written. He drove straight to the Rosary, where garden and shrubberies looked dull and dreary under a gray, sunless sky. It seemed as if he had left summer on the other side of the Alps—as if he had come into a land where there was no summer, only a neutral dulness, which meant gloom and smoke in London, and a gray monotone in the country.

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His heart grew cold at sight of the windows. The blinds were all down. The house was either uninhabited, or inhabited by death.

He rang violently and rang again, but had to wait nearly five mirutes, an interval of inexpressible agony, before a housemaid opened the door, her countenance only just composing itself after the broad grin that had greeted the baker's last sally. The baker's cart rattled away from the back door while the housemaid stood at the front door answering her master's eager questions.

eager questions.
"Where is your mistress? She—she is not

He could not utter the word that would have given shape to his fear. Happily the girl was sympathetic, although frivolous-minded as to bakers and butcher-boys. She did not keep him in agony.
"She is not any worse, sir. She's very bad,

but not worse."
"Can I see her at once—would it do her any harm to see me?" he asked, going towards the

harm to see me? "he asked, going towards the staircase.

"She's not here, sir. She's at the rectory. Mr. Gilstone had her taken there after she was saved from drowning by those two London gentlemen. She was took to the Rose and Crown, as that was the nearest house to the river; the two gentlemen carried her there, quite unconscious, and they had hard work to bring her round. And they sent here for the two nurses, and they kep' her there, at the Rose, till next morning; and then the rector he had her taken home to his own house, and his sister is helping to nurse her."

"They are good souls," cried Gerard, "true Christians. What shall we do in our troubles when there are no more Christians in the world?" he thought, deeply touched by kindness from the man whose sympathy he had repulsed.

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"Is your mistress dangerously ill?" he

asked.

"She has been in great danger, sir; and I don't think she's out of danger yet. I was at the rectory last night to inquire and one of the nurses told me it was a very critical case. But she's well nursed and well cared for, sir. You can make yourself happy about that."

"Happy! I can never know happiness again!"

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"Oh, yes, but you will, sir, when Mrs. Halley gets well. I make no doubt they'll pull her through."

"And her baby—"

"Oh, the poor little thing! He was such a weakly little mite—I'm sure he's better off in Heaven, if his poor mother could only think so, when she comes round and has to be told about it."

"There was an inquest, wasn't there?"

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"There was an inquest, wasn't there?"

"Well, yes, sir, there was an inquest at the Rose and Crown, but it wasn't much of an inquest." Mary Jane added, in a comforting tone. The baker told me the coroner and the other gentlemen weren't in the room above ten minutes. 'Death by misadventure,' that was the verdict. Everybody was so sorry for the poor young lady. And it was a misadventure, for if the night nurse hadn't left the door unfastened, and fallen asleep in her easy chair, nothing need have gone wrong. It was all along of her carelessness. My poor young mistress got up and put on her morning gown and slippers, and took the poor little baby out of his bassinette, and went downstairs and out of the drawing-room window, and she must have gone across the lawn down to the towing path, and wandered and wandered for nearly two miles before she threw herself in just by the little creek where she and you used to be so fond of sitting in the punt, where we used to send your lunch out to you."

"Yes, yes, I know. It was there, was it?" The thought of the happy hours they had spent there, hours of blissful tranquillity, steeped in the summer warmth, the golden light, sweet cours of field flowers, soothing ripple of water and rustle of willow branches. What happy hours of delight in all that is most exquisite in literature, Milton, Keats, Tennyson, Rosetti, in that music of words which is second only to the music of sweet concords and divine harmonies. Oh, happy hours, happy days, bliss which he had dreamed might last out all his life, and lengthen life by its reposeful sweetness. And now he had to think of his dear love, the fair Egeria of those happy hours, wandering hapless and distruent along that river bank, choosing in some dim fancy of the dreaming mind that spot above all the other spots in which to seek death and oblivion.

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"Dreadfully sudden, sir. It was the shock of her father's death which made my mistress so bad. She was very down-hearted after you went abroad. We could all see that, though none of us ever see her cry. She was too much the lady to give way before servants; but we could tell by her face in the morning that she'd been lying awake half the night, and that she'd been lying awake half the night, and that she'd been erying a good deal. And then she'd pull herself together, as you may say, and he bright and cheerful with the old gentleman, and sit with him, and talk to him, and walk beside his chair, and give all her thoughts and all her time to making him as happy as he could was gone he took a sort of restless it, and he was gone he took a sort of restless it, and he was gone he took a sort of restless it, and he was always asking about you the nurse said, in his queer way, and he seemed uneasy at not seeing you. And he used to talk to poor Mrs. Hanley in a disagreeable way, and he was quite nasty to her, his man told me, and was always blaming her, as if she hadn's done her very best for him. He was very cruel to her, I think; but I suppose it must have been because he was worse in him.

self. And one day he was particularly unkind, and she left him in tears, and went out into the parden and sat there alone by the river, and didn's go to her father's room to sit with ways did, and his man found her sitting in the garden very low-spirited, when he went to tell her that he and the nurse were going to dinner. Missus always used to sit with the old gentleman while those two had their dinner. And she went up to his room and found him lying quietly on the softs, and ashe sat there over an hour, for those two used to take their was asleep all the time, and then, just as the nurse was going upstairs, we all heard a dreadful shriek and a fall, and we found her lying insensible on the floor near the sofa, where her father lay dead. She had gone to him, and spoken to him, and touched him, and found him dead.

"She was very bad all that day and floud where he had planned his new novel, in the happy morning of his love, ast with his head bent low upon his folded arms.

"She was very that all that day and night, and Dr. Mivor telegraphed for another nurse, for he said we was in for a bad business. She was quite out of her father, and begging him to forgive her, as if she had any need of forgiveness, when she devoted herself to making him comfortable and happy from the first hour he was took. And three days after his death the poor little baby was born, and she was quite out of her mind all the time and didn's seem to care about the baby, and the was developed the seem to care thought she was born, her father, and begging him to forgive her, as if she had any need of forgiveness, when she devoted herself to making him comfortable and happy from the first hour he was took. And three days after his death the poor little baby was born, and she was quite out of her mind all the time and didn's seem to care about the baby.

"Shall I get you a bit of lunch, sir ? You are looking so tired and ill."

"No, thank you, for the ling me so much. You mis the safe had been to him him had awkence and the was about all I can her conscience with sophistries and vague promises to which she was too delicate ever to

refer.
Yes, he had used her ill, the woman who loved him; had killed her it might be; or had killed her mind for ever, leaving her to go down to old age through the long joyless years, a mindless wreck; she who was once so beautiful and so happy, a lovely ethereal creature in whom mind and heart were paramount over

The rector received him coldly, and with a The rector received him coldly, and with a countenance to which unaccustomed sternness gave an expression of severity. When a beaevolent man is angry his anger has a deeper seat and a more appalling aspect than the ready displeasure of less kindly spirits. For Mr. Glistone to be angry meant a complete upheaval of a nature that was made up of sympathy and compassion. But here for once was a man with whom he could not sympathize, for whom his only feeling was detestation.

"Is she recovering? May I see her?" asked Gerard, on the very threshold of the rector's study, chilled by that repelling countenance, yet too full of the thought of Hester to delay his questioning.

"She is a shade better this morning," the rector answered coldly, "but she in far too ill

honor upon a woman whose every instinct makes for virtue, and you have broken her heart by your desertion."
"I did not desert her—"
"Not as the world reckons desertion perhaps. You left her a house and servants and a bundle of bank notes; but you left her just when she had the most need of affection and sympathy—left her to face an ordeal which might mean death—left her under conditions which no man with a heart could have ignored."

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"I was wrong—selfish—cruel. Say the worst you can of ine. Lash me with bitter words. I acknowledge my iniquity. I was only just recovered from a dangerous liness—"

"Through which she nursed you. I have heard of her devotion."

"Through which she nursed me. I was not ungrateful—but I was wretched, borne down by the knowledge that I had only a short time to live. Ah, rector, you in your green old age, sturdy, vigorous, with strength to enjoy the fulness of life even now when your hair is silver, you can hardly realize what a young man feels who has most unexpectedly inherited a vast fortune, and who while the delight of possession is still fresh and wonderful, is told that his days are narrowed to a few precarious years—that if he is to last out even that short span he must watch himself with jealous care, husband his emotions lest the joys of youth should waste the oil in the lamp. This was what I was told. Be happy, be calm, be tranquil, said my physician; in other words, be self-induigent, care for nothing and no one but self. And I felt that yonder house was killing me. The shadow of that old man's decaying age darkened my fading youth. If she would have gone with me to the south there would have gone with me to the south there would have gone with me to the south there would have been no break in our union—at least I think not—though there was another claim —"

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"Well, there are excuses for you, perhaps; and the result of your conduct has been so fatal that you need no sermon from me. If you have a heart, the rest of your life must be darkened by remorse, Your child's death lies at your door."

"Does she remember that dreadful night—does she grieve for the child?" asked Gerard.

"Happly not. I have told you she is living in a world of shadows."

"Let me see her." pleaded Gerard. "You don't know how fondly she loves me—how dear we have been to each other. Her mind will awaken at the sound of my volce."

"Awaken to the memory of all that she has suffered. Would that be an advantage? Mr. Mivor must be the judge as to whether she ought to see you. If he says 'Yes'——"

"When will he be here?"

"Not till the evening."

"Then I'llgo to his house, and bring him here if necessary. Mr. Gilstone," said Gerard, stopping on the threshold, as the rector followed him to the hall, "you are a good man. However hardly you may think of me, nothing will ever lessen my gratitude to you—and in the short time I may yet have to live I hope to prove that my gratitude means something more than a word."

The rector gave him his hand in silence, and Gerard got into the fly and was driven to Mr. Mivor's comfortable cottage, a low, whitewalled building with a thatched roof, at the end of the straggling village street.

Mr. Mivor was surprised to see him, but suppressed all expression of astonishment.

"I should have telegraphed to you more than a fortnight ago if I had known where to find you," he said. "I am glad you have come back. Mrs. Hanley is a shade better to-day—only a shade. We must be thankful for the least improvement, and we must try not to lose ground again."

"She has been dangerously ill, I am told?"

"Dangerously! Yes, I should think so. She has been on the brink of death, not once, but several times since the bir

won't know you."
"Yes, she will! She will know me. She may not recognize people who are almost strangers to her, but surely she will know

may not recognize people who are almost strangers to her, but surely she will know me—"

"Poor lady! She hardly knows herself. Ask her who she is, and she will tell you a strange story. All we can hope is that with returning strength mind and memory will returning strength mind and memory will return. I will go to the rectory with you, and if I find her as quiet as she was this morning you shall see her."

They were at the rectory ten minutes later, and this time Mr. Gilstone received Gerard with kindliness. He had given speech to his indignation, and now all that was kindly in his nature pleaded with him for the repentant sinner. He received Gerard in his atudy, while the doctor went upstairs to see his patient.

"You have not asked me why I took upon myself to have Mrs. Hanley brought to this house, rather than to her own," he said.

"I had no need to ask. It was easy for me to understand your kindly motive. You would not let her re-enter a house in which she had tasted such misery—you wished to surround her with fresh objects, in a house where nothing would remind her of her past sufferings."

"That was one motive. The other was to place her under the care of my sister. However devoted hired nurses may be, and I have nothing to say against the woman who is now nursing Mrs. Hanley, it is well that there should be some one maar who is not a hireling, who works for love, and love only. My sister's heart has gone out to this poor lady."

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Mr. Mivor appeared at the study door, which had stood open while Gerard waited, his ear strained to catch every sound in the quiet, orderly house, where all the machinery of life went on with a calm regularity that knew no change but the changing seasons. The silence of the house oppressed Gerard as he went upstairs, filled with an sching fear. Was he to find her cold and unconscious of his presence—the girl who had clung about him with despairing love when they parted less than a month ago?

A door was softly opened, a woman in white cap and apron looked at him gravely, and drew aside. It was the nurse who had waited upon old Nicholas Davenport, and even in this moment the association made him shudder. And then, scarce conscious of his own movements, he was standing in a sunlit room where a young woman in a white morning gown, and with hollow cheeks and soft, fair hair cropped close to the well shaped head, was sitting at a table playing with the flowers that were strewn upon it.

"Hester, Hester, my darling, I have come back to you," he cried, in a heart-broken voice, and then he fell on his knees beside her chair, and tried to put his arms about her, to draw the fair face down towards his quivering lips, but she shrank away from him with a scared look.

and then he fell on his knees beside her chair, and tried to put his arms about her, to draw the fair face down towards his quivering lips, but she shrank away from him with a scared look. In spite of the doctor's warning he was utterly unprepared for this. He had hugged himself with the thought that had her mind wandered ever so far away, as far as east from west, or heaven from earth, she would know him, to him she would be unchanged. The one beloved personality would stand out clear and firm amidst the chaos of a mind unhinged. Much as he had prated of molecular action, and nerve messages, and all the machinery of materialism, he had expected here to find spirit working independently of matter and love dominant over the laws of physiology.

The exquisite blue eyes—violet, dark, dilated by madness, looked at him, looked him through and through, and knew him not. She shrank from him with repulsion, gathered up the scattered flowers hastly in the folds of her loose muslin gown, and moved away from the table.

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den, nurse," she said, "I want to get them planted before father comes from the library. It'll be a surprise for him, poor dear. He was grumbling about the dust this morning, and saying how it spolls everything, and he'll be pleased to see the garden full of tulips and hyacinths. This sort will grow without roots—they grow best without roots, don't they?"

She looked down at the flowers, a little dubiously, as if not quite clear upon this point, and then with a sudden vehemene ran to the fireplace, where a small fire was burning behind a high old-fashioned brass fender, and flung the tulips and hyacinths into the fender.

"Oh, Mrs. Hanley, that's very naughty of you," cried the nurse, as if she had been reproving a child, "to throw away the lovely flowers that the rector brought you this morning. Why did you do that, now?"

"I don't want them. They won't grow. It's the day for my music lesson and I haven't practiced. How cross Herr Schuter will be!"

There was a little cottage piano in a recess by the fireplace—a little old piano on which Miss Gilstone had practiced her scales forty years before. Hester ran to the plano, seated herself hastily, and began to play one of Chopin's nocturnes—a piece so familiar in her girlhood that even in distraction some memory of the notes remained, and she played correctly and with feeling to the end of the first movement, when suddenly, at a loss for the notes, she burst into tears and left the piano.

"It is all gone," she said. "Why can't I remember?"

In all these varying moods and rapid move-

"It is all gone," she said. "Why can't I remember?"

In all these varying moods and rapid movements about the room there had not been one look or one gesture which indicated the faintest consciousness of Gerard's presence. Those large, luminous eyes looked at him and saw him not, or saw him only as a stranger whose image evolved not one ray of interest.

The nurse dried her tears and soothed her after that burst of grief at the plano, and a few minutes later she stood at the open window tranquilized and smiling, watching for someone with an air of glad expectancy.

"How late he is," she said, "and I've got such a nice little dinner for him. I'm afraid it will be spoilt by waiting. It's the day the new magazines are given out. He is always late that day. I ought to have remembered."



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Lawrence Brown, 49 Parchment Flace, inner Temple.
Gerard copied the address into his pocket-book, presented the mistress of the Rose and Crown with a bank note, for distribution among those servants who had been active and helpful on the night of the catastrophe, wished her good-day, and was seated in his fly before she had time to steal a glance at the denomination of the note, or to give speech to her gratitude on discovering that it was not five, but five-and-twenty. on discovering that it was not five, but fiveand-twenty.

"This Mr. Hanley must be rich to throw
his money about like this," she reflected, "but
for all that I don't believe that pretty young
creature is his wife. She wouldn't have took
to wandering about with her baby if she habbeen. Perpetual fever, says the doctor. Don't
tell me. Perpetual fever would never make a
respectable married woman forget herself to
that extent."

Within two hours' space of leaving the Rose
and Crown Gerard Hälersdon was seated face
to face with Lawrence Brown, barrister of no
particular circuit, and of Parchment place,
Inner Temple.

The room was shabby almost to squalidness; the man was nearer forty than thirty, with roughly modelled features, keen eyes, fine in-telligent brow, and black hair already touched with great shout the tamplas.

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the man was snaper forty than thirty, with roughly modelled features, keen eyes, fine intelligent brow, and black hair already touched with gray about the temples.

He received Mr. Hillersdon's thanks politely, but with obvious reserve. He made very light of what he had done—no man seeing a life at stake could have degre less. He was sorry—and here his face grew pale and stern—he had not been able to save the other life, the poor little child.

"My friend and I heard a child's faint cry," he said, "and it was that which called our attention to the spot, before we heard the splash. The current runs strong at that point. The woman rose and sank again twice before I caught hold of her, but the child was swept away upon the current. The body was found caught among the weeds and rushes half a mile lawer down the stream."

There was a silence of some moments, during which Mr. Brown refilled his brierwood pipe automatically and looked at the little bit of fire burning dully in a rusty iron grate.

"Mr. Brown," began Gerard abruptly, "I am a very rich man."

"I am glad to hear it," replied Brown.

"There are consolations in wealth which we poor men can hardly realize."

"You have called yourself a poor man," said Gerard, eagerly, "so you must not be angry with me if I presume to take that as a fact. I am rich, but my wealth is of very little use to me. I have had my death warrant. My time for spending money will very soon be over, and my wealth must pass into other hands. I am here to beg your acceptance of a substantial reward for the act which has saved me from a burden that must have been unbearable—the thought that my absence from England had caused the death of the person who is dearer to me than anyone else upon earth. Will you oblige me with your inkstand?"

He stretched his hand towards a shabby china ink-pot in which half-a-dozen much used quills kept guard over a thimbleful of ink.

"What are you going to do, Mr. Hanley?"

He stretched her over the sum of the water and I fetched her over sick kitchen wench al

back directly, or I shall be behindhand with my work."

Her thoughts were all in the past, the days before she had entered into the tragedy of life, while yet existence was calm and passionless, and meant only patience and duty. How strange it seemed to find her memory dwelling upon that dull life of drudgery and care, while the season of joy and love was forgotten.

"Is she often as reatless as this?" he asked, with an agonized look at the doctor, who stood by the window, calmly watchful of his patient.

"Restless, do you call her? You would know what restlessness means if you had seen her three days ago, when the delirium was at its height, and one delusion followed another at lightning pases in that poor little head, and when it was all her two nurses could do to keep her from doing herself harm. She has improved wonderfully since then, and I am a great deal mars hopeful about her."

"Have you had no second opinion? Surely in such a case as this a specialist should have been consulted?"

"We have had Dr. Campbell, the famous mad-doctor, whose opinion of the case for responds with my own. There is very little to be done. Watchfulness and good nursing are all that we have to look to—and nature, the great healer. I was right, you see. Itod you she would not know you, and that seeing you could do her neither good nor harm."

"Yes, you were right. I am nothing to her—no more than if I had been a century dead—no more than any of the dead who are lying under those crumbling old tombstones over there."

He glanced towards the churchyard where the April sun was shining upon gray granite and golden lichen, the dark foliage of antique yews and the downy tutts upon the willows. He was standing side by side with the woman who had loved him better than her life, and she took no heed of him. He tried to take her hand, but she moved away from him, looking at him in shy surprise and with some touch of apprehension or dislike.

"Here you another doctor?" she asked. There have been as omany doctors—so many nurses—and yet I am

thing short of perjuring yourself in order to save the neck of a ruffianly burglar," said Gerard.

"I should do that in the way of business. It is my profession to defend burglars, and, short of perjury, to make believe that they are innocent and lamb-like."

"And you will not accept this recompense from me—a trifling recompense as compared with my large means. You will not allow me to think that for once in a way my wealth has been of some service to a good man."

"I thank you for your kind opinion of me, and for your wish to do me a kindness, but I cannot take a gift of money from you."

"Because you think badly of me."

"I could not take a gift of money from any man who was not of my own blood, or so near and dear to me by friendship as to nullify all sense of obligation."

"But you could feel no obligation in this case, while your refusal to accept any substantial expression of my gratitude leaves me under the burden of a very heavy obligation. Do you think that is generous on your part?"

"I am only certain of one thing, Mr. Hanley—I cannot accept any gift from you."

"Because you have had a bad opinion of me. Come, Mr. Brown, between man and man, is not that your reason?"

"You force me to plain speech," answered the barrister. "Yes, that is one of my reasons. I could not take a favor from a man I despise, and I can have no better feeling than contempt for the man who could abandon a lonely and highly strung gif in the day of trial—leave her to break her heart, and to try to make an end of herself in her despair."

"You are very ready with your summing up of my conduct. I was absent—granted; but I had left Mrs. Hanley surrounded with all proper care—"

"You mean you had left her with a full purse and three or four servants. Do you

had left Mrs. Hanley surrounded with all proper care—
"You mean you had left her with a full purse and three or four servants. Do you think that means the care due from a husband to a wife who is about to become a mother? You must not be surprised if I have formed my own opinion about you, Mr. Hanley. I have been up and down the river a good many times, and have lived for a good many days here and there at riverside inns within a few miles of the Rosary, and have heard a good deal of talk about you and your lovely wife—or not-wife, as the case may be. The village gossips would have it that she was not your wife."

Mr. Hillersdon did not go back to London immediately after leaving the rectory. He was fagged and faint after the long night of travel, the long morning of heart-rending emotions, the unaccustomed hurrying to and fro; but he had something to do that must be done, and with this business on his mind he had refused all offers of refreshment from the hospitable rector, although he had esten nothing since the hurried dinner in Faris on the previous night. He went from the rectory at Low-combe to the Rose and Crown, in the next village, the inn to which Hester had been carried after the rescue from the river, and at which the inquest upon her baby had been held. He went to that house thinking that there he would be most likely to get the information he wanted about the man who had saved Hester's life, and lightened his burden of guilt by so much the dearest portion of the sacrifice.

Life was saved and reason might return; but, alas, with returning reason would come the mother's cry for the child she had slain in her madness. Must she be told—or would she recall the circumstances of that fearful night, and know that in her attempt to end her own sorrows she had doestroyed her innocent child?

To day his business was to find out the name of the man who had saved her life, possibly at the hazard of his own, and he argued that the Rose and Crown was the likeliest place at which to get the information he wanted.

He was not mistaken. The inn was kept by a buxom widow, who charged abnormal prices for bedrooms in the boating season, and was said to have fattened by picking the bones of boating men. Although her bills were extortionate her heart was beneficent, and she was eager to be serviceable to Mr. Hanley of the Rosary. She expatiated tearfully upon the loveliness of the dear young lady was gone," she said, "and if we hadn't had sen carried unconscious and apparently dead to the Rosary. She expatiated tearfully upon the loveliness of the dear young lady was gone," the said, "and if we hadn't had sen made to be settled

or not-wife, as the case may be. And any gossips would have it that she was not your wife."

"The village gossips were right. I was bound by an earlier claim, and I dared not marry her; but if she and I live, and if I can release myself from that other claim with honor, she shall be my wife."

"I am glad to hear that. But I doubt if your tardy reparation can ever efface the past."

The man was obviously so thoroughly in earnest that even in the face of those shabby chambers, that well-worn shooting jacket and those much-kneed trowsers, Gerard could push his offer no further. He might have been as rich as Rothschild, and this man would have accepted not so much as a single piece of gold out of his treasury. There are men of strong feelings and prejudices to whom money is not out of his treasury. There are men of strong feelings and prejudices to whom money is not all in all; men who are content to wear shably tweed and trowsers that are bulging at the knees and frayed at the edge, and to sit beside a sparse fire in a rusty grate, and smoke coarse tobacco in an eighteen penny pipe, so long as that inward fire of conscience burns bright and clear, and the silvering head can hold itself high in the face of mankind.

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Minister—I don't know. I preached as well as I could.

Bobby—Yes; pa said you tried to do your darndest.—Judge.

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"Is your sister in the house, Miss Dorothy?"
"Yes, she is; and if you're coming often you'd better hurry up and propose, 'cause I've noticed with all the others when it goes on so long it never comes to anything."—Life.

Epidemic
"I understand that Miss Passe was quite a

"I understand that Miss l'asse was quite a belle once."
"Yes, indeed, with swarms of admirers."
"Why did she never marry?"
"Declined rapidly for several years—then heart failure set in."
"That was sad—but she seems to have reached a good age."
"Ah—but her admirers had the heart failure."—Life.

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(Not always.)

Mike and his lady on the street in the full glare of an electric light. Mike leaning against a fence, looking tired and dejected.

Kathleen—Niver you moind, Moike; you'd

betther not try it again; and I'm not ashamed to be seen walking wid you, anyhow.

Mike—But Oi won't give it oop now afther thrying three times to put the bastly thing out. It's me nooraligy, Kathleen, thot comes on me ivery time I tooch thot wire, likes as it would take me arm off.—Judge.

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CHAPTER XXIX.

FROM THE WARM WILD KISS TO THE COLD. Gerard traveled as fast as trains and boat would take him, but it was noon on the second day after he had left Florence before he arrived at the nearest station to Lowcombe, with the prospect of half an hour's drive behind an indifferent hurse before he could reach the Rosary and know the worst. He was alone. He had sent his valet to Hillersdon House, and had resolutely refused Jermyn's company, although Jermyn had urged that he was hardly in a state of health to risk a solitary journey, or the consequences of further ill news.

"If there is anything worse to be told, you could not help me to bear the blow," Gerard answered, gloomly. "Nor would she care to see you with me. You were no favorite of hers, and perhaps if it had not been for you I should never have left her."

They had searched all the morning papers they could obtain during the journey from Dover to Charing Cross, to discover any paragraph that might record the calamity at Lowcombe—for any report of the inquest on the infant, or the resum of the mother. It was at least some relief to find no such record. Whatever had happened, the report had, by happy chance or kindly influence, been kept out of the papers. Hester's name and Hester's woe were not bandied about in a social leader, or even made the subject of a paragraph.

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Gerard reached Lowcombe, therefore, in absolute ignorance of anything that might have happened since Mr. Muller's letter was written. He drove straight to the Rosary, where garden and shrubberies looked dull and dreary under a gray, sunless sky. It seemed as if he had left summer on the other side of the Alps—as if he had come into a land where there was no summer, only a neutral dulness, which meant gloom and smoke in London, and a gray monotone in the country.

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His heart grew cold at sight of the windows. The blinds were all down. The house was either uninhabited, or inhabited by death.

He rang violently and rang again, but had to wait nearly five minutes, an interval of inexpressible agony, before a housemaid opened the door, her countenance only just composing itself after the broad grin that had greeted the baker's last sally. The baker's cart rattled away from the back door while the housemaid stood at the front door answering her master's eager questions. eager questions.
"Where is your mistress? She—she is not

He could not utter the word that would have given shape to his fear. Happily the girl was sympathetic, although frivolous-minded as to bakers and butcher-boys. She did not keep

him in agony.
"She is not any worse, sir. She's very bad, but not worse."
"Can I see her at once—would it do her any harm to see me?" he asked, going towards the

"Can I see her at once—would it do her any harm to see me?" he asked, going towards the staircase.

"She's not here, sir. She's at the rectory. Mr. Gilstone had her taken there after she was saved from drowning by those two London gentlemen. She was took to the Rose and Crown, as that was the nearest house to the river; the two gentlemen carried her there, quite unconscious, and they had hard work to bring her round. And they sent here for the two nurses, and they kep' her there, at the Rose, till next morning; and then the rector he had her taken home to his own house, and his sister is helping to nurse her."

"They are good souls," cried Gerard, "true Christians. What shall we do in our troubles when there are no more Christians in the world?" he thought, deeply touched by kindness from the man whose sympathy he had repulsed.

"Is your mistress dangerously ill?" he asked.

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asked.

"She has been in great danger, sir; and I don't think she's out of danger yet. I was at the rectory last night to inquire and one of the nurses told ms it was a very critical case. But she's well nursed and well cared for, sir. You can make yourself happy about that."

"Happy! I can never know happiness again!"

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"Oh, yes, but you will, sir, when Mrs. Hanley gets well. I make no doubt they'll pull her through."

"And her baby—"

"Oh, the poor little thing! He was such a weakly little mite—I'm sure he's better off in Heaven, if his poor mother could only think so, when she comes round and has to be told about it."

"There was an inquest, wasn't there?"

Heaven, if his poor mother could only think so, when she comes round and has to be told about it."

"There was an inquest, wasn't there?"

"Well, yes, sir, there was an inquest at the Rose and Crown, but it wasn't much of an inquest." Mary Jane added, in a comforting tone. The baker told me the coroner and the other gentlemen weren't in the room above ten minutes. 'Death by misadventure,' that was the verdict. Everybody was so sorry for the poor young lady. And it was a misadventure, for if the night nurse hadn't left the door unfastened, and fallen asleep in her easy chair, nothing need have gone wrong. It was all along of her carelessness. My poor young mistress got up and put on her morning gown and slippers, and took the poor little baby out of his bassinette, and went downstairs and out of the drawing-room window, and she must have gone across the lawn down to the towing path, and wandered and wandered for nearly two miles before she threw herself in just by the little creek where she and you used to be so fond of sitting in the punt, where we used to send your lunch out to you."

"Yes, yes, I know. It was there, was it?"
The thought of the happy hours they had spent there, hours of blissful tranquillity, steeped in the summer warmth, the golden light, sweet odors of field flowers, soothing ripple of water and rustle of willow branches. What happy hours of delight in all that is most exquisite in literature, Milton, Keats, Tennyson, Rosetti, in that music of words which is second only to the music of sweet concords and divine harmonies. Oh, happy hours, happy days, bliss which be had dreamed might last out all his life, and lengthen life by its reposeful sweetness. And now he had to think of his dear love, the fair Egeria of those happy hours, wandering hapless and distraught along that river bank, choosing in some dim fancy of the dreaming mind that spot above all the other spots in which to seek death and oblivion.

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"Dreadfully sudden, sir. It was the shock of her father's death which made my mistress so bad. She was very down-hearted after you went abroad. We could all see that, though none of us svar see her cry. She was too much the lady to give way before servants; but we could tell by her face in the morning that she'd been rying a good deal. And then she'd pull herself together, as you may say, and be bright and cheerful with the old gentleman, and sit with him, and talk to him, and walk beside his chair, and give all her thoughts and all her time to making him as happy as he could be made. And it wasn't say work, for after you was gone he took a sort of restless fit, and he was always saking about you the nurse said, in his queer way, and he seemed uneasy at not seeing you. And he used to talk to poor Mrs. Hanley in a disagreeable way, and he was quite nasty to her, his man it told me, and was always blaming her, as if she hadn't done her very best for him. He was very cruel to her, I think; but I suppose it must have been because he was worse in him-

self. And one day he was particularly unkind, and she left him in tears, and went out into the garden and sat there alone by the river, and didn's got to her father's room to sit with ways did, and his man found her sitting in the garden very low-spirited, when he went to tell her that he and the nurse were going to dinner. Missus always used to sit with the old gentleman while those two had their dinner. And she went up to his room and found him lying quietly on the softs, and ashe sat there come to the softs and a seat there is the seat of the softs. And a she went up to his room and found him lying quietly on the softs, and ashe sat there is the seat of t

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the rector received him coldly, and with a The rector received him coldly, and with a countenance to which unaccustomed sternness gave an expression of severity. When a benevolent man is angry his anger has a deeper seat and a more appalling aspect than the ready displeasure of less kindly spirits. For Mr. Glistone to be angry meant a complete upheaval of a nature that was made up of sympathy and compassion. But here for once was a man with whom he could not sympathize, for whom his only feeling was detestation.

"Is als recovering? May I see her?" asked Gerard, on the very threshold of the rector's study, chilled by that repelling countenance, yet too full of the thought of Hester to delay his questioning.

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"She is a shade better this morning," the rector answered coldly, "but she is far too ill for you to see her—at any rate until the doctor thinks it safe—and when you are allowed to see her it is doubtful whether she will recognize you. She is in a world of her own, poor soul, a world of shadows."

"Is her mind quite gone?" faltered Gerard. "Does the doctor fear—"

"The doctor fears more for her life than for her mind. If she live the mind will recover its balance as strength returns. That is his opinion and mine. I have seen such cases before—and the result has generally been happy; but in those cases we had to deal with a ruder clay. All that is loftiest in this girl's nature will tell against her recovery. There is a heavy account against you here, Mr. Hanley."

"I know, I know," cried Gerard, with his face turned from the rector, as he stood looking out of the window, across the beds of tulips, towards the churchyard, seeing nothing twich his eyes looked at, only turning his face away leat anyone should see him in his agony.

"A heavy account; you have brought dis-

honor upon a woman whose every instinct makes for virtue, and you have broken her heart by your desertion."

"I did not desert her—"

"Not as the world reckons desertion perhaps. You left her a house and servants and a bundle of bank notes; but you left her just when she had the most need of affection and sympathy—left her to face an ordeal which might mean death—left her under conditions which no man with a heart could have ignored."

"I was wrong—selfish—cruel. Say the worst you can of me. Lash me with bitter words. I acknowledge my iniquity. I was only just recovered from a dangerous ilinees—"

"Through which she nursed me. I was not ungrateful—but I was wretched, borne down by the knowledge that I had only a short time to live. Ah, rector, you in your green old age, sturdy, vigorous, with strength to enjoy the fulness of life even now when your hair is silver, you can hardly realize what a young man feels who has most unexpectedly inherited a vast fortune, and who while the delight of possession is still fresh and wonderful, is told that his days are narrowed to a few precarious years—that if he is to last out even that short span he must watch himself with jealous care, husband his emotions lest the joys of youth should waste the oil in the lamp. This was what I was told. Be happy, be caim, be tranquil, said my physician; in other words, be self-indulgent, care for nothing and no one but self. And I felt that yonder house was killing me. The shadow of that old man's decaying age darkened my fading youth. If she would have gone with me to the south there would have been no break in our union—at least I think not—though there was another claim—"

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"Well, there are excuses for you, perhaps; and the result of your conduct has been so fatai that you need no sermon from me. If you have a heart, the rest of your life must be darkened by remorse. Your child's death lies at your door."

"Does she remember that dreadful night—does she grieve for the child?" asked Gerard.

"Happily not. I have told you she is living in a world of shadows."

"Let me see her," pleaded Gerard. "You don't know how fondly she loves me—how dear we have been to each other. Her mind will awaken at the sound of my voice."

"Awaken to the memory of all that she has suffered. Would that be an advantage? Mr. Mivor must be the judge as to whether she ought to see you. If he says' Yes'—"

"When will he be here?"

"Not till the evening."

"Then I'll go to his house, and bring him here if necessary. Mr. Gilstone, said Gerard, stopping on the threshold, as the rector followed him to the hall, "you are a good man. However hardly you may think of me, nothing will ever lessen my gratitude to you—and in the short time I may yet have to live I hope to prove that my gratitude means something more than a word."

The rector gave him his hand in silence, and Gerard got into the fly and was driven to Mr. Mivor's comfortable cottage, a low, white-walled building with a thatched roof, at the end of the straggling village street.

Mr. Mivor was surprised to see him, but suppressed all expression of astonishment.

"I should have telegraphed to you more than a fortnight ago if I had known where to find you," he said. "I am glad you have come back. Mrs. Hanley is a shade better to-day—only a shade. We must be thankful for the least improvement, and we must try not to lose ground again."

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"Dangerously! Yes, I should think so. She has been on the brink of death, not once, but several times since the birth of her child—and since the fever took a bad turn—the night she tried to make away with herself—her condition has been all but hopeless, until yesterday, when she began to show signs of rallying."

"May I see her?"

"I don't think it could do her any harm. She won't know you."

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"Poor lady! She hardly knows herself. Ask her who she is, and she will tell you a strange story. All we can hope is that with returning strength mind and memory will return. I will go to the rectory with you, and if I find her as quiet as she was this morning you shall see her."

They were at the rectory ten minutes later, and this time Mr. Gilstone received Gerard with kindliness. He had given speech to his indignation, and now all that was kindly in his nature pleaded with him for the repentant sinner. He received Gerard in his study, while the doctor went upstairs to see his patient.

"You have not asked me why I took upon myself to have Mrs. Hanley brought to this house, rather than to her own," he said.

"I had no need to ask. It was easy for me to understand your kindly motive. You would not let her re-enter a house in which she had tasted auch misery—you wished to surround her with fresh objects, in a house where nothing would remind her of her past sufferings."

"That was one motive. The other was to place her under the care of my sister. However devoted hired nurses may be, and I have nothing to say against the woman who is now nursing Mrs. Hanley, it is well that there should be some one near who is not a hireling, who works for love, and love only. My sister's heart has gone out to this poor lady."

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Mr. Mivor appeared at the study door, which had stood open while Gerard waited, his ear strained to catch every sound in the quiet, or derly house, where all the machinery of life went on with a calm regularity that knew no change but the changing seasons. The silence of the house oppressed Gerard as he went upstairs, filled with an aching fear. Was he to find her cold and unconscious of his presence—the girl who had clung about him with despairing love when they parted less than a month ago?

A door was softly opened, a woman in white cap and apron looked at him gravely, and drew aside. It was the nurse who had waited upon old Nicholas Davenport, and even in this moment the association made him shudder. And then, scarce conscious of his own movements, he was standing in a sunlit room where a young woman in a white morning gown, and with hollow cheeks and soft, fair hair cropped close to the well shaped head, was sitting at a table playing with the flowers that were strewn upon it.

"Heater, Hester, my darling, I have come back to you," he cried, in a heart-broken voice, and then he fell on his knees beside her chair, and tried to put his arms about her, to draw the fair face down towards his quivering lips, but she shrank away from him with a scarce look. In spite of the doctor's warning he was utterly unprepared for this. He had hugged himself with the thought that had her mind wandered ever so far away, as far as cast from west, or heaven from earth, she would know him, to him she would be unchanged. The one beloved personality would stand out clear and firm amidst the chaos of a mind unhinged. Much as he had prated of molecular action, and nerve messages, and all the machinery of materialism, he had expected here to find spirit working independently of matter and love dominant over the laws of physiology.

The exquisite blue eyes—violet, dark, dilated by madness, looked at hi

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den, nurse," she said, "I want to get them planted before father comes from the library. It'll be a surprise for him, poor dear. He was grumbling about the dust this morning, and saying how it spolls everything, and he'll be pleased to see the garden full of tulips and hyacinths. This sort will grow without roots.—they grow best without roots, don't they?"

She looked down at the flowers, a little dubiously, as if not quite clear upon this point, and then with a sudden vehemence ran to the fireplace, where a small fire was burning behind a high oid-fashioned brass fender, and flung the tulips and hyacinths into the fender.

"Oh, Mrs. Hanley, that's very naughty of you," cried the nurse, as if she had been reproving a child, "to throw away the lovely flowers that the rector brought you this morning. Why did you do that, now?"

"I don't want them. They won't grow. It's the day for my music lesson and I haven't practiced. How cross Herr Schuter will be!"

There was a little cottage plane in a recess by the fireplace—a little old plane on which Miss Gilstone had practiced her scales forty years before. Hester ran to the plane, seated herself hastily, and began to play one of Chopin's nocturnes—a piece so familiar in her girlhood that even in distraction some memory of the notes, she burst into tears and left the plane.

"It is all gone," she said. "Why can't I remember?"

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"It is all gone," she said. "Why can't I remember?"
In all these varying moods and rapid movements about the room there had not been one look or one gesture which indicated the faintest consciousness of Gerard's presence. Those large, luminous eyes looked at him and saw him not, or saw him only as a stranger whose image evolved not one ray of interest.

The nurse dried her tears and soothed her after that burst of grief at the piano, and a few minutes later she stood at the open window tranquilized and smiling, watching for someone with an air of glad expectancy.

"How late he is," she said, "and I've got such a nice little dinner for him. I'm afraid it will be spoilt by waiting. It's the day the new magazines are given out. He is always late that day. I ought to have remembered."



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Her thoughts were all in the past, the days before she had entered into the tragedy of life, while yet existence was calm and passionless, and meant only patience and duty. How strange it seemed to find her memory dwelling upon that dull life of drudgery and care, while the season of joy and love was forgotten.

"Its she often as restless as this?" he asked, with an agonized look at the doctor, who stood by the window, calmly watchful of his patient.

"Restless, do you call her? You would know what restlessaess means if you had seen her three days ago, when the delirium was at its height, and one delusion followed another at lightning pace in that poor little head, and when it was all her two nurses could do to keep her from doing herself harm. She has improved wonderfully since then, and I am a great deal more hopeful about her."

"Have you had no second opinion? Surely in such a case as this a specialist should have been consuited?"

"We have had Dr. Campbell, the famous maddoctor, whose opinion of the case corresponds with my own. There is very little to be done. Watchfulness and good nursing are all that we have to look to—and nature, the great healer. I was right, you see. Itold you she would not know you, and that seeing you could do her neither good nor harm."

"Yes, you were right. I am nothing to her—no more than if I had been a century dead—no more than any of the dead who are lying under those crumbling old tombstones over there."

He glanced towards the churchyard where the April sun was shining upon gray granite and golden lichen, the dark foliage of antique yews and the downy tufts upon the willows. He was standing side by side with the woman who had loved him better than her life, and she took no heed of him. He tried to take her hand, but she moved away from him, looking at him is shy surprise and with some touch of apprehension or dislike.

"Here have been so many doctors—so many nurses—and yet I am quite well. They have

of apprehension or dislike.

"Hester," he exclaimed, piteously, "don't you know me?"

"Are you another doctor?" she asked.
"There have been so many doctors—so many nurses—and yet I am quite well. They have cut off my hair, and they treat me as if I were a child—but there is nothing the matter with me. I don't want any more doctors."

"You see how she is," said Mr. Mivor. "I think you had better come away at once. Your presence excites her, although she does not know you. Nothing can be done for her that is not being done in this house. Miss Gilstone has been all kindness. She has given up her sitting-room and bed-room to your wife because they are the pretitest in the house."

"She is an angel of goodness and charity," said Gerard, "and heaven knows how I can ever repay her."

"She is a Christian," said Mr. Mivor, "and she won't look to you for any reward. It is as natural for her to do good as it is for the flowers to bloom when their season comes."

Gerard followed the doctor out of the room, his looks lingering to the last upon the sweet, pale face by the window, but the face gave no token of returning memory. The doctor was right, no doubt. Messages of some kind were being carried swiftly enough along the nervefibres to their nerve corpuscles, but no message told of Gerard Hillersdon's existence, or of last year's love-story.

Mr. Hillersdon did not go back to London

Mr. Hillersdon did not go back to London immediately after leaving the rectory. He was fagged and faint after the long night of travel, the long morning of heart-rending emotions, the unaccustomed hurrying to and fro; but he had something to do that must be done, and with this hunters on his mind he had so travel, the long morning of heart-rending emotions, the unaccustomed hurrying to and fro; but he had something to do that must be done, and with this business on his mind he had refused all offers of refreshment from the hospitable rector, although he had eaten nothing since the hurried dinner in Paris on the previous night. He went from the rectory at Low-combe to the Rose and Crown, in the next village, the inn to which Hester had been carried after the rescue from the river, and at which the inquest upon her baby had been held. He went to that house thinking that there he would be most likely to get the information he wanted about the man who had saved Hester's life, and lightened his burden of guilt by so much the dearest portion of the sacrifice.

Life was saved and reason might return; but, alas, with returning reason would come the mother's cry for the child she had slain in her madness. Must she be told—or would she remember what she had done—would she recall the circumstances of that fearful night, and know that in her attempt to end her own sorrows she had destroyed her innocent child?

To day his business was to find out the name of the man who had saved her life, possibly at the hazard of his own, and he argued that the Rose and Crown was the likeliest place at which to get the information he wanted.

He was not mistaken. The inn was kept by a buxom widow, who charged abnormal prices for bedrooms in the boating season, and was said to have fattened by picking the bones of boating men. Although her bills were extortionate her heart was beneficent, and she was eager to be serviceable to Mr. Hanley of the Hosary. She expatiated tearfully upon the loveliness of the dear young lady, who had been carried unconscious and apparently dead to the Rose and Crown's best bedroom. She dilated upon the efforts that had been made to bring life back to that cold form, and upon her own jous thankfulness when those efforts proved successful.

"Indeed, sir, I thought the poor dear young lady was gone," she said, "and i

lady was gone," she said, "and if we hadn't had a medical student in the house who hurged us to go on." the aspirate here seemed only an element of force, "and if we hadn't had the Newmane Serciety's instructions 'anging up in the 'all, I don't suppose we should ever have had the patience or the strength of mind to have kep' at it."

"Can you tell me the name of the man who rescued her?" asked Gerard, somewhat curtly, considering the landlady's beneficence a matter to be settled like her bills by a handsome check.

"Why, of course I can, sir. He and his friend was obliged to stay the night in the house, for he'd nothing but his wet boating clothes and a overcoat. He stopped that night and his clothes was dried at my own sitting-room fire, which I kep' up all night on purpose, and he wrote his name in the visitors' book before he left next morning. I says, 'I should like to have your name in my book, sir, for you're a brave-hearted man. And he laughs and says, 'Lor. landlady, you don't think that anything out of the way, do you? And as for my name,' he says, 'it's a very common one, but such as it is you're welcome to it.'"

The landlady produced a fat, black quarto, in which amidst much sportive commendation of her meat and drink, and many fictitious entries of dukes and marquises, famous politicians, and notorious public characters, and a good deal of doggerel verse, there appeared the following modest entry:

Lawrence Brown, 49 Parchment Place, Inner Temple.

Gerard copied the address into his pocket-

Lawrence Brown, 49 Parchment Place, Inner Temple.

Gerard copied the address into his pocketbook, presented the mistress of the Bose and Crown with a bank note, for distribution among those servants who had been active and helpful on the night of the catastrophe, wished her good-day, and was seated in his fly before she had time to steal a glance at the denomination of the note, or to give speech to her gratitude on discovering that it was not five, but five-and-twenty.

"This Mr. Hanley must be rich to throw his money about like this," she reflected, "but for all that I don't believe that pretty young creature is his wife. She wouldn't have took to wandering about with her baby if she had been. Perpetual fever, says the doctor. Don't tell me. Perpetual fever would never make a respectable married woman forget herself to that extent."

Within two hours' space of leaving the Rose and Crown Gerard Hillersdon was seated face to face with Lawrence Brown, barrister of no varicular circuit, and of Parchment place, Inner Temple.

The room was shabby almost to squalidness; the man was nearer forty than thirty, with roughly modelled features, keen eyes, fine intelligent brow, and black hair already touched with gray about the temples.

He received Mr. Hillersdon's thanks politely, but with obvious reserve. He made very light of what he had done—no man seeing a life at stake could have dera less. He was sorry—and here his face graw pale and stern—he had not been able to mave the other life, the poor little child.

"My friend and I heard a child's faint cry," he said, "and it was that which called our attention to the spot, before we heard the splash. The current runs strong at that point. The woman rose and sank again twice before I caught hold of her, but the child was swept away upon the current. The body was found caught among the weeds and rushes half a mile lower down the stream."

There was a silence of some moments, during which Mr. Brown refilled his brierwood pipe automatically and looked at the little bit of fire burning dully in a rusty iron grate.

"Mr. Brown," began Gerard abruptly, "I am a very rich man."

"I am glad to hear it," replied Brown.
"There are consolations in wealth which we poor men can hardly realize."

"You have called yourself a poor man," said Gerard, eagerly, "so you must not be angry with me if I presume to take that as a fact. I am rich, but my wealth is of very little use to me. I have had my death warrant. My time for spending money will very soon be over, and my wealth must pass into other hands. I am here to beg your acceptance of a substantial reward for the act which has saved me from a burden that must have been unbearable—the thought that my absence from England had caused the death of the person who is dearer to me than anyone else upon earth. Will you oblige me with your inkstand?"

He stretched his hand towards a shabby china ink pot in which half-a-dozen much-used quills kept guard over a thimbleful of link.

"You are very good, but I am not a boatman, and I don't save lives on hire. I have not

thing short of perjuring yourself in order to save the neck of a ruffianly burglar," said Gerard.

"I should do that in the way of business. It is my profession to defend burglars, and, short of perjury, to make believe that they are innocent and lamb-like."

"And you will not accept this recompense from me—a trifling recompense as compared with my large means. You will not allow me to think that for once in a way my wealth has been of some service to a good man."

"I thank you for your kind opinion of me, and for your wish to do me a kindness, but I cannot take a gift of money from you."

"Because you think badly of me."

"I could not take a gift of money from any man who was not of my own blood, or so near and dear to me by friendship as to nullify all sense of obligation."

"But you could feel no obligation in this case, while your refusal to accept any substantial expression of my gratitude leaves me under the burden of a very heavy obligation. Do you think that is generous on your part?"

"I am only certain of one thing, Mr. Hanley—I cannot accept any gift from you."

"Because you have had a bad opinion of me. Come, Mr. Brown, between man and man, is not that your reason?"

"You force me to plain speech," answered the barrister. "Yes, that is one of my reasons. I could not take a favor from a man I despise, and I can have no better feeling than contempt for the man who could abandon a lonely and highly strung girl in the day of trusl—leave her to break her heart, and to try to make an end of herself in her despair."

"You are very ready with your summing up of my conduct. I was absent—granted; but I had left Mrs. Hanley surrounded with all proper care—"

"You mean you had left her with a full

had left Mrs. Hanley surrounded with all proper care—
"You mean you had left her with a full purse and three or four servants. Do you think that means the care due from a husband to a wife who is about to become a mother? You must not be surprised if I have formed my own opinion about you, Mr. Hanley, I have been up and down the river a good many days times, and have lived for a good many days here and there at riverside inns within a few miles of the Rosary, and have heard a good deal of talk about you and your lovely wife—or not-wife, as the case may be. The village gossips would have it that she was not your wife."

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"The village gossips were right. I was bound by an earlier claim, and I dared not marry her; but if she and I live, and if I can release myself from that other claim with honor, she shall be my wife."

"I am glad to hear that. But I doubt if your tardy reparation can ever efface the past."

The man was obviously so thoroughly in earnest that even in the face of those shabby chambers, that well worn shooting jacket and those much kneed trowsers, Gerard could push his offer no further. He might have been as rich as Rothschild, and this man would have accepted not so much as a single piece of gold accepted not so much as a single piece of gold out of his treasury. There are men of strong feelings and prejudices to whom money is not all in all; men who are content to wear shabby tweed and trowsers that are bulging at the knees and frayed at the edge, and to sit beside a sparse fire in a rusty grate, and smoke coarse tobacco in an eighteen penny pipe, so long as that inward fire of conscience burns bright and clear, and the silvering head can hold itself high in the face of mankind.

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Keepham—Sorry, old fellow, but I'm dead-(finishes in pantomime).—Puck,

She Leaves Them Alone.



Miss Abby Sec.—Now, what will you boys do if I take away your clothes Chorus of School-boys.—We'll chase ye! Yah!—Puck.

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"Aw, how interesting! Now would you tell me how this is—aw—porcine iron differs from the other sort?"—Judge,

The Boy and the Preacher. -Are you the man that preacher this

morning?
Minister—Yes, little boy.
Bobby—I guess everybody didn't just like your sermon, did they?
Minister—I don't know. I preached as well as I could.
Bobby—Yes; pa said you tried to do your darndest.—Judge.

A Straight Tip.

"Is your sister in the house, Miss Dorothy?"

"Yes, she is; and if you're coming often you'd better hurry up and propose, 'cause I've noticed with all the others when it goes on so long it never comes to anything."—Life.

Epidemic

Epidemic

"I understand that Miss Passe was quite a belle once."

"Yes, indeed, with swarms of admirers."

"Why did she never marry?"

"Declined rapidly for several years—then heart failure set in."

"That was sad—but she seems to have reached a good age."

"Ah—but her admirers had the heart failure."—Life.

Perseverantia Omnia Vincit.

(Not alrays.)

Mike and his lady on the street in the full glare of an electric light. Mike leaning against a fence, looking tired and dejected. Kathleen—Niver you moind, Moike; you'd

betther not try it again; and I'm not ashamed to be seen walking wid you, anyhow.

Mike—But Oi won't give it oop now afther thrying three times to put the bastly thing out. It's me nooraligy, Kathleen, thot comes on me ivery time I tooch thot wire, likes as it would take me arm off.—Judge.

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Mr. Smythe's Volume.

HE thin volumes which from the presses of the many cities of America and which bear on the usually plain cover the legend that they are the verses of such and such an aspirant to poetic fame, have

become a byword and source of mirth among literary people. This i not always undeserved, as the verses so issued are in many cases of a mediocre description. But the volume before me * does not deserve the fate of most of these thin volumes. Many of the poems are a distinct acquisition to that chimerical fetish of some writers, Canadian literature. Mr. Smythe's poetic gift is chiefly lyrical; but he appears even better in poems of grave and elevated thought than in the lighter conceits of the fancy. following is a good specimen of his ability, exquisite in its simplicity.

ONE Of all the flowers at my feet A single blossom was sweet Of all the birds in the tree One alone sang for me. Of all the starry array One shone over my way. But the blossom has ceased to wave;

The bird has carolled his stave; The starlight chines on a grave There is also much music and virility in Mr. Smythe's verses. The four lyrics entitled Lilies have a melodious sweetness:

Tiny tinkling bells of beauty Peal forth elfin calls to duty, And the fairy people rally Round the lilies of the valley.

The virility of his poetic gift is most marked in his sonnets. He is not always so successful with the sonnet-form as in the one here given, but every sonnet embodies some fine and often majestic thought. The following is his best and perhaps, as a whole, the finest poem in the book.

THE FORGOTTEN POET. With fragrance flown, as of a long-plucked bud, The little song I sing with so much care Sweet for a day, will swoon upon the flood Of days that will forget my sung was fair The master-song is mighty rushing wind
Mixed with all fragrance, strong with a great breath
From cloudland and the chimes that win the mind, And full of pulses to awaken death. Fall well I know the storm will smits my flower, My tiny short stemmed blossom of the sod; But when my flower and I have lived an hour I'll bear on the wind away to God; And wind and flower and spirit may adorn Some Eden garden where new worlds are born. The following sestett from another sonnet addressed to a lady" is also fine : What if a sphere above me holds thy home Whose pathway circles higher than my course A heaven-sent token and a long-sought sign Forever giver me thy grace will shine; Still may I pray with thee beneath one dox Still trace my soul with thine to one dread source

Many of Mr. Smythe's poems are characterized y an airy, elastic humor, at times cynical, but never objectionally so. His humor at its best has an undercurrent of tears, but there is nothing puerile about it. It has what may be truthfully called "a manly melancholy." reminds one of Thackeray in his Ballads. His

> Who sells me skim and charges cream, Puts " Human Kindness" on his can And cold pump water on my dream. With deprecatory pretence He begs his dues like other prigs, My time, my labor and my pence, And steals my tit-bits for his pigs. I asked him why the milk I buy Is worse than theirs who dress in silk. But craftily he made reply:
> "I furnish them with asser' milk!"

My fate's a wicked dairyman

I'd gladly change, but where I dwell He quite controls his branch of trade; He is an anchorite as well And does not keep a dairy maid

O Milkman Fate ! these many years Your human kindness mocks my thirst; Your swestest milk is salt with tears And on such fond my hopes are nursed.

His poem In Lodgings is also fine, but spi does not allow quotation, and his Peannt Bal lads, which have from time to time appeared in SATURDAY NIGHT, are written in good swing ing verse and form a department of their own. Mr. Smythe's genius reminds one alternately of that of Oliver Wendell Holmes and Algernor Charles Swinburne. His method may be said to be new among Canadian poets, the only one with whom he can be compared being John Reade of Montreal. Although there is nothing distinctively Canadian about them, they are good literature, and it is to be hoped that they will meet with success in a wider field than TOUCHSTONE.

* Poems, Grave and Gay, by Albert E. S. Smythe. Imrie

"Do the Russians really eat candles?" asked a Washington lady of the Russian ambassador. "No, madam," was the reply, "it is a calumny, a tallow calumny, so to speak."

Music.

What a pretty concert that was on Thursday of last week when the "Canadian Nightingales" held forth at the Pavilion! The only drawback was that it was not as well patronined as it deserved to be in proportion to its excellence. The man with curiosity was again out in full force and I have had many enquiries as to which was the better singer, Mrs. Thomson or Mrs. Caldwell. To weigh such a delicate question and upon my own poor human judgment deliver an opinion ex cathedra. as it were, is a function I do not feel it either incumbent upon me or necessary to undertake. Criticism, pure and simple, is only too liable to be colored by the personal predilections of the critic and to be limited by his knowledge and judgment, but comparative criticism is liable to be still more frail when its objects are those who are in our midst every day and who may be personal friends of the critic. So, my good readers, as far I am concerned the question must remain unanswered. Most of those who were at the concert formed their opinion either in favor of one or the other of these ladies, and any word of mine would only be corroborated or would be bitterly challenged.

Mrs. Thomson was the first to appear and sang the aria, Regnarv nel Silenzio most excellently. Her voice was pure and sweet through out and her vocalization was beautifully fluent and correct. The tender, sympathetic quality of her voice was probably never heard to better advantage, a result that applied equally to her singing of Home, Sweet Home. Mrs. Caldwell was just as successful in her singing of one of the most brilliant pieces in her repertoire, The Queen of the Night aria from the Magic Flute. The continuous demands upon her upper register were met with spontaneity and grace, and her staccato wanderings in the octave above the staff were delightful in their certainty and ease. Her singing of the Rainy Day was a gem of feeling and expression. Mr. Harold Jarvis was at his best and gave a splendid rendering of The White Squall, full of dramatic fervor, while his encore song, Douglas Gordon, was one of the tenderest bits of ballad singing ever heard in Toronto. Mrs. A. Huycke Garrett is a new face upon the concert platform and sang very acceptably. She has a very agreeable contraito voice and sings with taste. A little more study and a little more experience would make her a welcome addition to our list of concert singers.

Mr. H. M. Blight gave a fine rendering of Heart and Hand with The Longshoreman as an encore. Mr. J. Bryce Mundie sang Spirito Gentil from La Favorita in agreeable voice, but a trifle slowly. Mr. J. F. Thomson sang the Toreador song in excellent style, but his voice was not in sufficiently good condition to enable him to sing the aria with the splendid execution that has characterized his former renditions of it. The only instrumentalist upon the programme was Miss Lizzie Massie, who played Popper's Gavotte for the violon cello. She has a good tone and very fluent execution, and shared the fate of most of the performers in being encored. The accompaniments were all that could be desired, Mrs. H. M. Blight and Mr. E. W. Phillips assisting in this department.

Next week will bring us Theodore Thomas and his splendid orchestra in a well selected programme. Of the soloists, Campanini and Joseffy have been here before, so often as to need no introduction. Miss Katherine Flem ing, the other soloist, is a young contralto who



MISS KATHERINE FLEMING

who is a member of the quartette in the Madison Avenue Baptist church in New York. The programme to be played will embrace Beethoven's immortal Fifth Symphony, the E minor Concerto of Chopin-Tansig, Siegfried's Death from Wagner's Gœtterdæmmerung. Dvorak's Slavonic Dances, B zet's Suite L'Arlesienne and the Tannhæuser overture. Truly a splendid bill of

The fact that I have received from Mrs. Jeannette M. Thurber, the generous patroness of the National Conservatory of America, a circular naming dates and conditions for the examinations of candidates for gratuitous tuition in vocal and instrumental music with a request for its publication, would lead one to believe that the generosity of that institution will not be confined in its practical results to those who live under the Stars and Stripes, but that Canadians found worthy of its advantages may participate as well. The circular states that the successful candidates will enjoy the tuition of the best teachers that can be engaged and, after graduation, will be afforded opportunities of making known their accomplishments, thus securing engagements. The conditions of admission as to fees, etc., varying according to the classification of the pupil, are determined by the board of directors. Instruction in all branches will be given free to students whose talent and circumstances warrant it. The course embraces tuition in singing, stage deportment, elecution, fencing, tions, although Rosina Vokes and E. H. Soth-Italian, and instrumental and theoretic music in all its branches. The entrance examinations take place at the Conservatory, East 17th street, New York, in singing September 24 and 25, orchestral instruments September 28, piano and organ September 29, orchestra November 2, chorus November 4, operatic chorus November 2.

Apropos of Mr. C. A. E. Harriss and the Westminster Abbey boy," what a portentous title is that of Vicar Choral! Most people would expect to find that a Vicar-Choral is a tremendously important functionary of the Abbey, clerical of course, with wig, gown, hood, and all the other millinery of an im posing station in the choir of one of the most imposing edifices of the world. Probably he would in his physical and busines reality be found "imposing." I have the May number of the Musical Times before me, from whose advertising columns it would appear that Mr. William Sexton, Vicar-Choral of Westminster Abbey, is only an ordinary everyday musical agent who provides artists and glee-boys and glee-men for concerts, dinners and the like. He is now sole business manager and singing master to the "celebrated solo soprano boy and pianist, Denman Groome, aged 12." He also refers to Master Frederick Williams' great success in Canada and America (sic), and closes his advertisement with an N. B., as portentous to us as a lady's postscript: "None of Mr. Sexton's boys are from Westminster Abbey." Evidently his recent "special permission" has got him into hot water and the authorities of the Abbey have sat upon him. By the way, SATURDAY NIGHT's reference to Mr. C. A. E. Harriss and the "Westminster Abbey Boy" has been widely referred to in the press of the United States and Canada, and numerous calls have been made upon Mr. C. A. E. Harrise to get up and explain, but so far his silence has been

Mr. D. E. Cameron takes charge to-morrow of the choir of the Carlton street Methodist church and has arranged programmes for the two services which occur, embracing besides the former soloists of the choir such voices as those of Miss Norma Reynolds, Miss Bonsall, Mrs. D. E. Cameron and Mr. D. E. Cameron.

All lovers of music in Toronto will regret to hear that Mr. Harold Jarvis has accepted an engagement in Detroit, which will call for his attendance every Sunday at the new Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Arthur Denew is organist. Mr. Jarvis' departure from our Sunday services is a loss which will be severely felt in our churches, notably after his fine singing at the Church of the Redeemer last Sunday morning at the Confirmation service. Mr. Jarvis will still continue to fill his engage ments with the Mozart Quartet'e, covering the months of June and July, and will continue his connection with that successful organization during the coming season.

On Wednesday evening the advanced pupils of Mr. W. Elliott Haelam gave a recital in the Music Hall of the Toronto College of Music, the particulars of which were most creditable to that popular instructor. A large audience was most spontaneous in its demonstrations of applause at the efforts of Mrs. Cox, Miss Bauld, Miss Bonsall, Miss Brimson, Miss Brown, Miss McFaull, Mr. Gorrie and Mr. Lugsdin.

Mr. Robinson, known in artistic circles as Pierre Delasco, will give a recital in the room of the Ontario Society of Artists on Tuesday June 16, when he will be assisted by the lead ing artists of the city. METRONOME.

Shakespeare,

For Saturday Night. Once humorous Wit with happy, roguish air Would fain have a hob-nob with Common Sense; They met, but Wit was fill'd with love intense. And wedded then became the royal pair.

A child was born to them of the rare kind, Who cull'd from history's uninviting page Some prosy facts, part blurred o'er with age, And took them to the laboratory of the mind; And with the aid of its alchemy refin'd Them and fashioned them into great thoughts, And wreathed them with language's forget-me-nots. The world's bard thou! The drama's worthy sags! The tragic and humprous muse, the grave and gay.

Around thy genius a lustrous halo play.

W. H. STEVERS.

The Drama.

The dramatic season is practically closed in Toronto, and it has been in many respects the dreariest that Toronto has known of late years. Below is given Mr. Stuart Robson's view of the dramatic situation. He is certainly hopeful with grounds for being so. The past season has, both in London and New York, been more a usually productive of good dram but regrettably Toronto "is not in it." The line is being sharply drawn between sense and nonsense, but first-class attractions of the first named quality are becoming more and more unattainable in the lesser cities of America In Toronto we have been getting a few, but most of them have been of a comparatively low grade. In the realm of nonsense, how ever, we have had first-class attractions Huntington, Marie Tempest and Camille Darville, the queens of this world have come and gone and delighted many people, but their triumphs would have been greater had they been preceded by stars of a more truly dramatic character. Delightful as a good comic opera is, it has become as the wild grapevine that crushes the oak which gives it sup port. Its gains are so great as to tempt all classes of actors into its ranks. It is sapping the vitality of the grand opera and the legitimate drama. In the London papers we read that Mrs. Leslie Carter, an actress who has proved herself of great ability, will prostitue her talents in a semi-French farcical operation next season, and this is but one instance. Mrs. Carter's and her company's acting is one of the first bright spots in the past season. James O'Neill with the Dead Heart, and Janauschek in her striking portrayal of the aged Queen Elizabeth are also remembered. Robert Mantell in Hamlet and Othello, and Rose Coghlan in her well known repertoire almost complete the list of first-class dramatic attracern might be included. As was said above, the comic opera has almost killed grand opera, except in the three or four large cities. The last of the regular traveling companies of this class. the Emma Juch Company, which appeared in Toronto last October, is disbanded. Most of the other attractions have been poor and the outlook for next year is worse still. Managers

cannot be blamed. It must be the fault of the general public. Mr. Robson points out that legitimate companies make more money than any other, and no doubt speaks truly, but one wishes that next season sense could be brought into more genuine competition with nonsense by working on the same ground.

Mr. D'Ovly Carte was placed in a somewhat difficult position by the curiosity of the Queen at the performance of the Gondoliers at Windsor Castle on April 6. Her Majesty, who followed her copy of Mr. Gilbert's libretto closely, observed that certain additions were made to the text by the leading performers. Mr. Carte was summoned to the elbow of royalty, and the queen graciously inquired of him the meaning of the interpolations which she had noticed. "These, your majesty," said Mr. Carte, "are what we call 'gags.' "Gags," replied the Queen, "I thought 'gags were things that were put by authority into people's mouths." "These 'gags,' Your Majesty," answered the manager, bowing pro foundly, "are things that people put into their own mouths without authority." The Queen smiled benignly and seemed perfectly satisfied with the ready reply.

Richard Harding Davis, in his article on Broadway in May Scribner's, tells where the actors walk: "Union square is bounded on the south by that famous strip of pavement known to New Yorkers who read the papers as 'the Rialto.' This is the promenade of actors, but a very different class indeed from the polished gentlemen who brighten upper Broadway. They are just as aggressively conspicu ous, but less beautiful, and they are engaged in waiting for something to turn up. They have just returned from a tour which opened and closed at Yonkers, and they cannot tell why. They have come back "to reorganize." as they express it, and to start afresh next week with another manager and greater hopes. They live chiefly on hope. It is said it is possible to cast in one morning any one of Shakespeare's plays, to equip any number of farce companies, and to "organize" three Uncle Tom's Cabin combinations, with even more than the usual number of Marks the lawyer, from this melancholy market of talent that ranges about the theatrical agencies and costumers' shops and bar-rooms of lower Union

In a recent interview Stuart Robson, when asked his opinion of the present state of the mind of the play-going public, said :

"I believe that people, by the prevalence of farce-comedy, have been laughed out. Will farce-comedy survive? I think that the better class will. What lo I call the better class? Champagne and Oysters, produced some years ago at the old Park Theater, Forbidden Fruit, Aunt Jack and Dr. Bill.

"Farce-comedy has its uses," continued Mr. Robson, risen from his chair and walking across the room, as though on the companion deck. "It has purified pure comedy. Scalawagism of the past an audience of to-day would resent, except in farce-comedy." " How so !"

"For instance, in She Stoops to Conquer a bit of legitimate business handed down for Tony Lumpkin was that, when a lady he admires rises from her chair. Tony should kiss the seat of the chair. "Another old-time business was for Graves.

"Another old-time business was for Graves, who was a gentleman, in Money, to carry a handkerchief with a hole in it, and to blow his nose through the hole with his fingers.

"The audience to-day does not like such business in comedy. It finds its place in the average farce-comedy.

"In my new play, Is Marriage a Failure, I play the part of a gentleman who has humorous and pathetic elements in his nature. In the last scene I am annoyed by the officious attentions of his wife's friends. I knock a man down. The audience laughs, but doesn't like it. So I cut it out. How the olden time would have liked it, though!"

"What are your thoughts about the decline of the drama i asked the scribe.

"I don't think that the drama is declining. There is more money made by legitimate than by farce comedy. The success of Jeffdrson and Fiorence in The Rivais has not been equaled. The same may be said of Irving's production at the Lyceum.

"Farce comedy has brought to the theater

The same may be said of Irving's production at the Lyceum.

"Farce-comedy has brought to the theater people who wouldn't otherwise have gone. And the people, many of them, have become regular theatergoers and have patronized other plays.

"A few years ago Daniel Bandmann gave performances of Hamlet in dime museums. That was another good thing for the drama; those people who saw Bandmann had their tastes and thoughts elevated, and undoubtedly many of them were thus brought to the first-class theaters."

The Trysting Tree

Tell me, whisp'ring leaves, and truly, Has my love been here to-day? Since we loved, have I not duly Kept the tryet? Then, tell me, pray, Wherefore does my darling tarry Dove, to her this message car Come, my love, to me!

Tell me, guardian of our secret, She shall yield a kim for forfeit, Should she loiter overlong. Hark! The hour but new is pealing; Dusk is o'er the landscape stealing Come, my love, to me!

Dove, new to thy nest returning Built in this our trysting-tree, Does she know I linger, yearning Here her bonny face to see? Rapture! I behold a fairy, Tripping with a step so airy Comes my love to me

WILLIAM T JAMES.

My True Love's Token

day Night. I have a bunch of post :e, Of postes so bright and fair, save Aurora's tinted glories,

Naught else can find compare O! the gold and p'nky splendor Of my yellow daffodils
And May flowers, nestling under Their leaves, from the mossy della

The beer ambrosial drinking cups, Filled with sun-distilled perfume And chalices for the dew drops,

I will tie a dainty love knot With silken band and white, For these bright flowers my sweeth Sent me lovingly to-night,

With a message fond and tender For my birthday ball to-night And no gems excel in splendor My bunch of posies bright.

Hexameter Translations of the Iliad.

AGAMENSON IN THE PIGHT. These, then, he left, and away where ranks were now clashing the thickest, buward ruehed, and with him rushed all of the bright-

greaved Achaians.
Foot then footmen elew, that were flying from direful comree at the horsemen (up from off under them volumed

Up off the plain, raised up cloud-thick by the thundering Hewed with the sword's sharp edge; and so meanwhile

Lord Agamemnon Followed, chasing and slaughtering ave, on-ugging the Now, as when fire voracious catches the unclipped wood-

This way bears it and that the great whirl of the wind, and the sorubwood Stretches uptorn, fling forward alength by the fire's fury

So beneath Atrides Agamemnon heads of the scattered Troj ans fell; and in numbers amony the horses, neck-

stiffened, Rattled their vacant cars down the roadway gaps of the war field. Missing the blameless charioteers, but, for these, they were

Flat upon earth, far dearer to vultures than to their home. PARIS AND DIOMEDES.

So he, with clear shout of laughte

Forth of his ambush leapt, and he vaunted him, uttering this wise : Hit thou art ! not in vain flew the sh ft; how by rights it had pierced thee

fermost gut, therewith to have rived thee of life-Nollowing that had the Trojans plucke I a new breath from their direct.

They all frighted of thee, as the goats bleat in flight from a Then unto him untroubled made answer at sut Diomedea:

Bow-puller, jiber, thy bow for thy glorying, spyer at If that thou dared'st face me here out in the open with

Nothing then would avail thee thy bow and thy thick shot Now thou plumest thee vainly because of a grase of my

Reck I as were that stroke from a woman or some pettish

Aye files blunted the dart of the man that's emasculate, nought-worth !

Otherwise hits, forth flying from me, and but strikes it the alightest,
My keen shaft, and it numbers a man of the dead fallen
straightway.

Torn, troth, then are the checks of the wife of that man
slaughtered.
Orphans his babes, full surely he reddens the earth with his
blood-drops,
Rotting, round him the birds, more numerous they then
the women."

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Iconoclasts have sought to throw doubt on the old John Knox house in the Canongate of Edinburgh, as a former home of the great Scotch reformer, but Sir Daniel Wilson of Toronto, the author of Old Edinburgh, defends the tradition as not inconsistent.

The announcement by the Rev. Dr. D. C. W. Bridgman, a Baptist minister of New York, that, no longer believing in hell, he felt compelled to resign his pastorate, has agitated the clerical world even more than Father Igna tius's attacks on Heber Newton, Rainsford and

Billiards are Mark Twain's favorite diver sion, and he has a table and cues conveniently at hand in his Hartford home. Mr. Clemens and his family are going over the water for a long stay, but he says distinctly that this is not to be another trip of "the innocente abroad.

One of the recent victims of the influenza in England was Edwin Long, an artist, who was judged by widely different estimates. work found many admirers, however, and he excelled particularly in his imaginative repres intations of Oriental antiquity. Some of his portraits were also greatly praised.

Dr. Henry W. Heipziger, who was chosen last week by the Board of Education for assistant superintendent of public schools, has been for some time the director of the Hebrew Technical Institute of this city. He managed the free public lectures last winter to the great satisfaction of every one. The Board of Education has made an excellent choice.

The suit brought by a Bostonian against a New York dealer in violins calls attention to the market price of instruments accredited to Antonius Stradivarius, the lute maker of Cremona. Experts have sworn that a genuiue Stradivarius should be worth five thousand dollars, and the unmusical have been set to wondering what qualities a mere fiddle can possess that it should be rated at such a price.

Dr. Livingstone's faithful servant, Susi, died recently in Zanzibar. With a companion, he carried the famous explorer's body fifteen hundred miles, from the interior of Africa to the coast, suffering many privations and risking dangers in hostile territory, in order that he might save his master from an unknown grave. Parliament thanked Susi for his performance, and even the Queen took notice of his courage and fidelity.

"John, the Orangeman," is the most popular member of the under faculty at Harvard College. He has sold fruit to the students since and has a valuable acquaintance among the distinguished alumni of the university. Sometimes the students take him with them as a mascot when they go away to play an important foot-ball or base-ball game, and on such occasions, it is hardly necessary to say, John receives all the honors due his position.

The privilege of feeling the royal pulse in Siam has been given to Dr. W. R. Lee, a young physician who was sent out by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions less than a year ago to cure the bodies as well as the souls of the heathen. Dr. Lee was so successful in putting into practice the principles he learned at the medical school of the University of the City of New York, that the king appointed him the royal galen. Less than five years ago before he had an opportunity to cultivate his taste for medicine, Dr. Lee was driving an express wagon in Springfield, Ohio.

Benjamin P. Hutchinson, the "Old Hutch" of Chicago wheat-pit fame, spent most of his boyhood in and about North Reading, Massachusetts, where the older inhabitants still remember his propensity for trading. Even in those days he showed unusual shrewdness in his business transactions, rarely failing to make a profit. He learned the shoemaker's trade, and at one time peddled his wares in a bag, but soon got so far ahead that he had s manufactory and store. As he grew older he became a familiar figure in Lynn, and in the tall white hat and surtout coat that he affected looked not unlike cartoons of "Brother

One of the leading characters in Uncle Tom's Cabin, George Harris, was taken from the experiences of Lewis George Clarke, formerly a slave and now living at Lexington, Kentucky, He has recently been visiting a brother, J. Milton Clarke, at Cambridge, Massachusetts. From these two freedmen, both of whom are nearly white, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe gained many of the facts which she afterward wove into her great anti-slavery story. Lewis George Clarke knew personally many of the people who formed the characters of the story, which, he says, might have been made much stronger in places without departing from the realm of music. Mr. Clarke has had nine children, all of whom he sent to Oberlin College. His wife and two of the children are now dead, and he spends much of his time in lectur-

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Ouida has always lavished money upon her clothes. Worth, Pingat-all the famous French conturiers—have had the honor of dressing this gifted person. She has a passion for draping her heroines in the most sumptuous millinery, which she draws largely from her own wardrobe, and not from her imagination. Years ago a newspaper correspondent described her as the only well dressed Englishwoman he had ever seen, "though she somewhat mars the effect of her elegant costumes by letting her long, tawny hair flow loose over her shoulders." She loves furs and laces. She especially prizes a magnificent set of sables, finer than any other owned outside of Russia gift of a wealthy Muscovite admirer. Next in her affections comes a unique collection of old laces, purchased at odd times whenever she had the opportunity, and opportunity is not lacking in a land of impoverished nobility. and her mass of hair are her only beauties, she has always taken great care of them. Shoes she has in abundance and in every variety of style, all made with nice artistic eye toward the proper display of her slimly arched instep. Gloves, too, are made to order and fit sx-quisitely. Her hair is eared for by a maid who daily spends hours in brushing, washing, and arranging it. On her hair and on her eyebrows she uses scent that is said to cost thirty dollars an owner.

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pictures in the main room which were not criticized in the first notice. In No. 161, Mr. Carl Ahrens makes, for

him, a new departure. It is a good sea scape and shows the excellence of technique which the taining. In No. 165, a Day in Spring, by the same artist, the atmosphere well handled.

No. 170, a bit of Beach, is a

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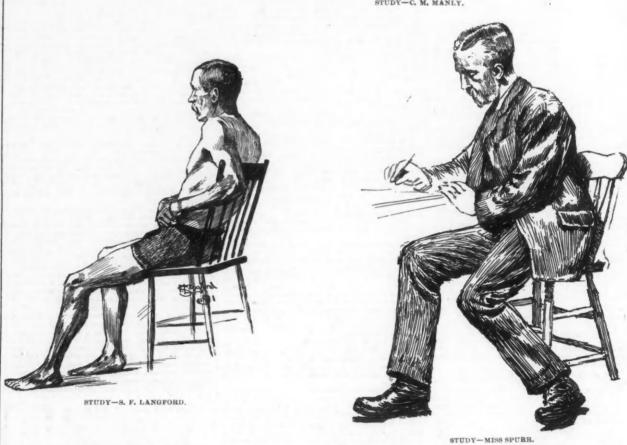
pretty picture and in No. 197, Spring Evening, Mr. Ahrens has executed one of his well known poetic pictures, but on a smaller scale than usual. Nos. 162, 169 and 183 are three more seascapes by Mr. Forbes and are better than most of his other work. No. 162, Ocean Waves, is his best. No. 169, A Hazy Morning, is well painted, but the atmosphere is too lucid for the title. No. 164, Night, by G. A. Reid, is painted with his well known ability, but the distance is somewhat too distinct. No. 181, Autumn Evening, by the same artist, is a fine picture. Its chief fault is that it is misnamed. It conveys the idea of a cloudy autumn day when the gardener is burning up the old leaves. Mr. Challener has also several pictures hung on this north wall. No. 167, Sunshine and Shadow, and 171, Studies of a Little Girl, are fairly good. No. 172, Waiting for a Bite, is a pretty little picture. No. 176, At Three Score and Ten, is diminutive but well painted. No. 179, Meadow, is not very good. Mrs. Reid has two pictures, No. 173, Roses, well painted, and No. 174, A Village Street, a splendid picture. Mrs. M. E. Dignam has a pretty little landscape in No. 197, A Scene near Zaaudam, Holland. No. 188, Touched by Frost, is well painted, but its composition would be more suitable for a mantle drape. No. 189, The Portage, by T. M. Martin, is better than most of this artist's efforts, and on the whole is a creditable picture. No. 184, In the Forest, B.C., has all the merits and demerits of a chromo. No. 191, The Wide, Wide World, by Miss L. A. Muntz, is a beautiful and poetic picture. 'The little girl's flesh is excellently painted and the only fault to be found in it is the bad drawing of the right arm. Nos. 185 and 192, two Pigeon pieces by Mr. Licence, would look appetizing in a restaurant. Mr. Sher-wood's portrait of Miss Orchard is fair, and Mr. Cutts has a life-like portrait of Mrs. Heron. Two gems, so to speak, are Nos. 195, Old Grave Yard by Mrs. Henry Martin, and 196, Old Sambo by Mr. Biehen. No. 196 is one of the best pictures on the walls and was spoken of last week. No. 195 is a beautiful little picture, well composed and conveying a poetic idea. No. 199, Left by the Avalanche, by Mr. Matthews, is well painted but has not enough variety of color for so large a picture. Mr. Henry Martin's two rose pieces are bad. In the main room there are also several studies by lady artists. Miss Maude Wilkes' head is poor compared with her smaller piece. Mrs. Sheridan's pansies are pretty, and in No. 168, Old Punchbowl, Miss F. M. Joplin has manged the texture of the glass very well. Miss Jeliett's fish are not bad.

We now pass to the north-west room, which is filled chiefly with water colors, and before writing of them it is well to say that very many of our water color artists err in painting scenes which are, though pleasant enough, commonplace. Though we are all more or less lovers of nature and love to be among these cenes, the pleasure we derive is not from the scenes themselves, but from the sense of vastness and liberty from them derived, and which an 8 x 10 inch picture of a pine tree and a blue sky cannot affect. Very many of the water colors in this room are not badly painted, but depict scenes of this class and hardly merit ing of blue No. 266, Stork's Nest, by the same a second thought. There are some very fine however, the principal being No. 214, by Mr. Matthews, entitled Looking Down Goat Pass. It is to be sold for the benefit of the building fund and should bring much more than the catalogue price, \$150. No. 215, On the Ottertail, by the same artist, is also a fine picture. Mr. G. Bruenech has some eight or nine landscapes, all of fair execution. Mr. J. T. Rolph's half dosen are all pretty pictures, No. 208, Old Mill on the Humber being his best effort. Mr. F. A. Verner can paint a Buffalo well, but the fault of his work is that all his subjects, be they skies or Indians or trees, have the texture of a Buffalo. Saveral of his pictures are creditable however. No. 206, From West Toronto, by Mr. H. L. Hertzberg, is well painted. No. 211, Get Me Some, by Mr. Matthews, is in many respects a delightful subject. Many of Mr. Matthews' pictures are, however, marred by a roughness of texture. Exclusive of the two fine mountain scenes before referred to ; he has several fair pictures. On the Fraser River (B.C.), No. 24, by Mr. Bell-Smith, is a fine piccure, its only serious fault being its monotonous body tone. His two other pieces, No. 225, Wharf, Mursay Bay and No. 252, On Bow River, Banff, are well painted pictures. No. 231, An Road, is also a very fine one. Mr. Manly exhibits a pleasing picture, No. 251, Lismore Castle. Mr. T. Mower Martin's In Rosedale Creek, No. 221, is well painted, and in No. 250, In Macpherson Grove, he shows his well known ability to paint a pine tree. Mr. W. D. Blatchley has a good pair, Nos. 201 and 237, Evening and Daybreak. No. 234, The Straits of Messina, Italy, by T. H. Wilkinson, is good. There are also a score or more of pictures in this room by various artists, which are neither very bad nor very good.

In the north-east room a few good pictures have been hung, and many bad ones. No. 264, Handling the Nets, by W. C. Foster, is well Sketches from the Recent Exhibition of the Art Students' League.



STUDY-C. M. MANLY.



No. 265, A Family Jewel, by J. W. L. Forster, is a Buildings, is a masterly piece of coloring by a artist, is fair. No. 268, Summer Afternoon, by the same artist is poor. No. 267. Reverie, a pastel, by G. A. Reid, is a beautiful picture. In No. 269, Evening, by Mrs. Payne, the water might be snow or anything white. No. 270, On the Alert, a dog, by Mrs. Sherwood, does not amount to much. Mr. R. Crockett's pair Nos. 272 and 273, are fair. No. 279, A Scene or the Scotch Coast, is fair but crude in treat ment. The same applies to Mr. Boultbee's portrait, No. 284, which, however, is a clever likeness. Mr. Forbes has a pair of seascapes. Nos. 286 and 298, done in his usua style. Mr. Matthews has several fair landscapes in oils, the best of which is No. 305, Vancouver Island, and a water color, well executed, No. 316. A Wiltshire Pasture, Mr. G. A. Reid has several diminutive but artistic little pictures. No. 337, Morning Mists, a water color, is a well painted picture, the best in the room. Mr. F. A. Verner has three water colors, Nos. 308, 309 and 310, well painted. The balance of the pictures in this room, which complete the exhibition of paintings, although in many instances painstaking, are not exactly suitable for hanging on the walls of the society's rooms.

The sculpture scattered through the rooms is what there is of it, excellent. Mr. Hamilton McCarthy shows three portrait busts, one of the Hon. Edward Blake, a striking likeness, and two equally fine of E. Thornton Todd and L. R. O'Brien, R. C. A. His smaller bust of Master Galt Kingsmill is also fine and shows Mr. McCarthy's ability to represent the tender flesh of childhood. His half-figure Cupid is an almost too conventional representation of the conventional Cunid-Hamlet is a fine statuette, and Burns and Highland Mary a splendid group. Mr. Thos. Mowbray's bust of Frank Turner is life-like and striking, and his wood carving is good.

There is also a fine exhibit of architectural sketches and designs. No. 356, an architect's

New York colorist.

An Old Book.

This rare book of the olden day A dainty charm possesses; The lok is faint, the leaves are gray,

And "f's" are used for "s's." The poet sought to win some maid, He swors he loved her dearly, "Love's holy faint" she was, he said. And signed it " Moft fincerely."

And I believe the letters quaint The honest truth had spoken He found, no doubt, love wholly faint When youth's bright dream was broke FLAVEL SCOTT MINES In Life.

The Art Students' League.

The Art Students' League held its annual exhibition recently. As I said last week, this organization is showing its influence in the quality of work exhibited in the larger exhioitions. Misses Adams and Spurr, and Messrs. Manly and Staples, and several other artists who exhibit good work at the Ontario Society's exhibition, are members of the League. The exhibit in the Imperial Bank building was large and of great variety. The anatomy studies or aketches, done in fifteen minutes were very interesting. Mr. William Bengough's ainting in two colors, of the members of the League at work, was also interesting Oll sketches, water colors, crayon, pen and ink and pencil sketches were scattered over the walls, most of the figure pieces being done from life. A special feature was the exhibit of the N. D. S. L. (not a day without a line) branch. The work here showed to what particular line of work the artist's ability ran. Noticeable here were the imaginative sketches of Mr. C. W. Jeffreys, and the beautiful designs of Mr. Holmes. Good work was also shown by Mr. D. A. McKellar, late of the staff of SATURDAY NIGHT, but now of New York, Mr. Wm. Bengough and others. In the other departments painted, but somewhat too thin in tone for an oil, colored drawing of the Confederation Life the work of Miss Spurr, Miss Adams, Mr. G.

A. Reid, Mr. S. F. Langford, Mr. C. M. Manly, Mr. O. P. Staples and many more of the League's members, and the designs of Mr. A. H. Howard were of noticeable excellence. By of the League SATURDAY NIGHT is enabled to reproduce five of the sketches exhibited. CHAD.

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For Esturday Night.

Oh ! man how weak, how frail thou art. Should'st thou emay to rule thyself; Change but the field and how thy might Finds not a rival, though the sea Should thunder forth its energy. Thy only bound and shore is death For only there thy powers cease And only there is quietness.

Whittlings.

Whittings.

Time is the silent barber who mows away man's top hair.

The first man to aim a blow at a giant corporation was David.

"Does position effect sleep?" asked a medical writer. It does not when the man holds the position of night-watchman.

There are no cats in Greenland, but they have a native dog there that can howl a hole into the side of an iceberg, so the natives do not miss the cats.

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It is a mournful commentary on human vanity to see the mourners looking back, on turning the corners, to see if the procession is worthy of the corpes.

"He went for a soldier," is the title of a book going through the throes of circulation as a premium. Why he went for a soldier we cannot say, but if he was an Indian, no doubt he was perfectly safe in going for a soldier.

The bridal veil originated in the custom of performing the nuptial ceremony under a square piece of cloth, held over the bride and groom, to conceal the blushes of the latter. At the marriage of a widow it was dispensed with.

Like Missis Like Maid

Mrs. Yerger-Matilda, you and Mrs. Peterby's servants are always talking together. What do you find to talk about? Matilda Snowball-We was just amusin' ourselves, just de sams as you and Mrs. Peterby does, except dat you talk about de servants and we talked about our employers. Heah!

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THAT BABY.

BY JOHN STRANGE WINTER.

Author of "Bootles' Baby," "Mignon's Secret." "A Little Fool," "Beautiful Jim." "The Other Man's Wife," &c., &c.

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JOHN STRANGE WINTER

I hardly know how it came about that William Lorrimor and Olly Green got married. They were not in the least degree suited to one another, and everybody in Olly Green's circle of acquaintance had expected her any time during the last six years—since she came out of the very ill-regulated school-room at Thorpe Vicarage, that is—to distinguish herself by running away with the most penniless of penniless subalterns that the nearest garrison town could coast of.

There were five young ladies at Thorpe Vicarage, five trim queens—Violet, Heliotrope, Olive, Rose, and Daisy. The vicar's wife was a fanciful woman who bore herself the soft and musical name of Mary, which she detested. In her youth she had been called Polly, and when she married and made a fresh start, so to speak, she made a great effort that Edward Green should call her Mary, and determined that whatevereles they might lack her children should start their lives with names which would not be a perpetual humiliation and annoyance to them.

So the first one was called Violet—well, because it had always been a favorite name of Mrs, Green's and she fancied it would go well with any name she might be called upon to bear hereafter. And when the second little daughter came Mrs, Green insisted on her being called Heliotrope. In vain did her husband and everyone else protest that it was a preposterous and unheard-of name for a girt to carry through life. Mrs. Green would listen to none of them. "It is a lovely name for a lovely flower," she said, and Heliotrope the child was therefore christened.

Nobody raised any objection to Olive, when yet a third babe was born at Thorpe Vicarage: nobody objected to the name of Olive any more than afterwards to Rose or Daisy.

Yet when years had gone by and Olive had been persistently shortened to Olly, there arose a little joke about "Olive-Green," which stuck to the girl until she had changed the name of Green for that of Lorrimor, and had become the mistress of Winningston Hall.

All the girls at Thorpe Vicarage had marrie

Then all of a sudden Thorpe village, aye and every other village for ten miles around, was convulsed by the news that she was going to be married immediately to William Lorrimor of Winningston Hall.

Some people said that William Lorrimor must have taken leave of his senses, others that Olly Green had an eye to settlement, and was tired of looking for a grander match in London, but all—all agreed that a more utterly unsuitable couple than they had never proposed being linked together in bonds of holy matrimonly.

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However, excepting in the case of relations,
it is not practicable for people to tell a bride or
groom in prospective exactly what is thought
of them, so nobody told William Lorrimor that
Olly Green was a frivolous little flirt, who was
only marrying him for the sake of Winningston
Hall; and even Olly's relations did not find a
word to say against the match, although it is
true they did say among themselves that it
was perfectly wonderful that a serious man
like William Lorrimor should have taken a
fancy to Olly, and wondered how they would
get on together.

"I suppose Olly will become serious now,
and dignified and all that," said a girl who had
tried seriousness and dignity and all that for a
long time without any effect on the master of
Winningston.

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But Olly did nothing of the kind. She remained exactly the same Olly that she had always been, and except that she now rode a beautiful thoroughbred out of the squire's stables instead of the steady old cobthat had carried her before, and were half-adozen beautiful rings on her left hand, there was no difference in her at all.

The engagement was made early in August, and as long as the weather held up Olly continued to wield her tennis racquet with as much skill, and just as often, as she had done the previous summer and autumn. "I can't understand it," murnured the serious young lady, who did not play tennis because it wasted so much time—"such taste to make a parade of playing everywhere when Mr. Lorrimor never does it. I wonder he stands it as he does."

William Lorrimor, however, seemed to stand it fairly well, that is to say, he stood by complacently and looked on proudly, while his bright-hearted fances, to use an American expression, "licked creation"—and he went to much expense and trouble to lay out a couple of couris at Wiuningston, one in grass and the other in asphalt, so that his beloved might amuse herself as well in winter as in the summer menths.

And when a neighboring squire gave a ball in celebration of his son's coming of age, he seemed equally willing that she should dance until the small hours of the morning, although he had never danced a step in his life.

"Come and try a turn with me, Willy," Olly cried, coming up to him, with her eyes all alight with excitement, and her cheeks flushed crimson with the exertion of a long spell of waltzing.

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"Ah, well; you can't say I did not ask you," with a gay laugh. "Let us have another turn, Captain Hamilton—it's a bity to waste it."

So off they went, and William Lorrimor settled quietly down again to a grave and serious discussion with the young lady who had devoted herself to all his favorite pursuits for the past ten years. She, poor girl, had a flerce pain at her heart.

"He is happier here, but he is going to marry her," she said to herself—and then she told herself that he would be miserable, and she rejoiced wretchedly over the prospect.

And in due time William Lorrimor and Oll Green were made man and wife. The wedding was a very smart affair. Olly received a great many presents—including about a dozen tennis-racquets—and they went off to a friend's country house for a fortnight, where Olly wasbored to death, and for the first time in her life realized what home sickness was.

However, a dull fortnight comes to an end it time, and the Lorrimors went to London for a few days on their way to the Continent. There Olly enjoyed herself amazingly—she knew a good many people, had more money to spend than she had ever had in all her life before, and her husband was interested in a new chemical manure, and was too much occupied to gu about with her. True, he suggested on the second morning of their stay in town, that she should go with him to Islington to see a new steam-plough, but Olly had promptly refused to do what she called waste her time in that way and Lorrimor had almost as contentedly gone without her.

Then they went abroad, but their continental trip was a dismal failure. It was just the time of year to be dull and rather dreary, and as soon as they had left Paris behind them Olly began to understand what an unmitigated bore solid worth may be and generally is. From one town to another they went, steadly making a business of sight-seeing, missing not a church or g

"But I like to look at them," Oily protested, almost in tears.

"Well, then, come and let us flatten our noses against the windows and look your fill," he answered.

But somehow her pleasure for that morning was over. There is no pleasure in doing anything in company with a person who thinks you are a fool for doing it. Oily, after ten minutes, said that she was tired and would like to go home and rest.

"I don't wonder," answered Lorrimor, without the smallest wish or idea of being brutal to her. "But wouldn't you like to have a look at that Raphael we saw yesterday?"

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"No, I shouldn't," answered she sharply.
"You can go—I'll take a carriage and go

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"But you didn't say you felt ill," he expostulated. "Why did you let me go off like that? The pictures would have done any time."

"If you couldn't come without telling," Olly began, at which Lorrimor looked up in wild surprise.

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"My dear child," he said, simply, "you have a tongue, surely it would have been as easy to say—'I would like you to go with me,' as to reproach me now for not doing so. I'm afraid, Oily," he went on, "that you and I are not likely to have much chance of happiness if we begin quarrelling about nothing so soon as this. I'm awfully sorry I didn't understand you, but at the same time, my darling, I am a dull sort of man, and you cannot make anything else of me."

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"I should have thought you would rather have gone with me," said Olly, weakly,

"So I would, only you seemed as if—at least—oh! hang it all. Olly, you know there's nothing on God's earth I would not do for you if could. I would lie down this minute and let you kick me—trample on me if you liked—but.

could. I would lie down this minute and let you kick me-trample on me if you liked—but don't, for Heaven's sake, don't expect me to be strung on wires like a chap in a play, for I shall never be able to act up to it—I sha'n't indeed."

At this point Olly began to cry miserably.

'Willy,'' she sobbed, "are we obliged to keep on this horrid tour? I do hate it so—the horrid, uncomfortable hotels, the horrid tourists, the cooking, the everything. I hate it all. I shall hate you next, I know I shall; and I don't want to do that, Willy, I don't indeed."

"Then let us go home," said Lorrimor, promptly. "I'm sure we have been away long enough to satisfy anybody."

So they went home, staying only a day in Paris and three days in London. Then they went down to Thorpe, where there were great rejoicings in their honor—a gaily decorated station, a crowd of villagers to meet them and to unharness the horses and drag their carriage is the satisty. to unharness the horses and drag their carriage in triumph to Winningston Hall. Then there was a tenants' dinner, a villagers' dance, a tea for the youngsters, and a sort of "at home" for the better port of people.



happy. She had forgotten that dreadful time at Florence, and settled down to her new position with the greatest satisfaction and interest. And gradually they began to drift apart. It was imperceptible at first. Indeed the very first little rift came about through Lorrimors delicate consideration for his wife.

"Come out to the front door, Olly," he said.
"I've got something to show you."

And Olly went out to find a smart village cart and a clever little cob pony, held by a neat young groom in top boots.

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"I though you'd like something of the kind independent of the stables," said Lorrimor, when Olly had sufficiently admired her new acquisition. You'll often be wanting to be out and about in something less formal than the landau and a bit safer shan a dogcart."

"It's lovely and sweet of you, Willy," Olly cried rapturously. "Let me drive you down to the vicarage in it."

Lorrimor looked at his watch. "I can't go this morning, darling. I've promised to meet Binks at eleven at the Red House."

Binks was the bailiff and lived in a small farm house on the estate.

"But you go," Lorrimor went on, not liking to spoil her pleasure. "They'll be glad to have a sight of you without me for once. By the by, I have to ride over to Spofforth with Binks. I shall not be in to lunch."

"Very well."

Olly turned back into the house without a word, except to tell the groom to wait for her.

word, except to tell the groom to wait for her. She saw from her bedroom window that her husband was already off to meet the bailiff, was indeed already iding down the avenue, and she found herself wondering bitterly whether she had not made a mistake in marrying him after all

ail.
"If he only cared a little more," she cried to herself. "I knew he didn't take interest in tennis or dancing, or anything of that sort—but—but I thought he would always be interested in m."

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The pony and cart were equally matched, but Oily took very little pleasure in them. She got in and drove down to the vicarage, where they made an immense fuss over her and admired the pony and then the cart, and then touched on the squire's delightful generosity.

By the by, where is Lorrimor?" the vicar asked.

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"The squire—oh, he has gone somewhere with the balilf," O.ly answered with an admirable assumption of carelessness.

"Oh, well, it's a treat to have you by yourself for a while," said her mother, who was just as sentimental as when she had chosen the name of Heliotrope for her second baby. "I suppose Will will expect you home to lunch, or will he call for you?"

"He is riding this morning," Olly answered, not liking to admit that he had gone off for the day. "I must go home to lunch, mother dear. Well, after this they drifted farther and farther away from one another. Not intentionally on Lorrimor's part. Oh no. He still thought Olly the sweetest, dearest, loveliest woman in the world, but he had wasted a good deal of time over his courtship, and being a very good landlord and farmer with an unusually high sense of the duties accompanying great wealth, he wanted to make up for lost time and to keep everything on his property in the most perfect and apple-pie order.

And Olly—well, Olly was pretty miserable about this time. She had got an idea into her head that her husband was indifferent as to her goings out and her comings in. Whenever she consulted him about invitations, entertainments, and the expenditure immediately connected with herself, his answer was invariably the same. "Accept, if you wish, of course"—or "Ask anyone you please; satisfy yourself, and you'll satisfy me"—and "My dear child, pray don't ask me if you may buy a new frock or anew kettle. You have your allowance and your pin-money. If they are not enough for you let me know, and we'll see what can be done; but don't ask me to decide the details of either."

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So, gradually, Olly got thrown more and more upon her own resources, and as time went on her resources, too, became limited, and therefore she was driven more and more to her thoughts for company. Tennis became an impossibility for her, and the prospect of an heir to the old place, while very delightful in one way, affected her spirits and her general health. She could not ride, and she hated going to the vicarage, because her sentimental mother always insisted that the squire was nervous and anxious about her being out alone, whereas Olly knew that he was nothing of the sort and did not care what she did or where she went. As a matter of fact the squire at this time was both anx ous and nervous about her, but Olly had wrapped herself in such an impenetrable mantle of reserve and coldness that he was afraid to irritate or upset her by being too solicitous for her comfort and welfare. He let her come and go therefore as she would, and poor Olly came and went wretchedly and dejectedly, fancying that—well, that Lorrimor had simply ceased to love her.



YOU WON'T EXCITE HER?" THE DOCTOR WHISPERED WARNINGLY

"If I had only got up all about chemical manures and ensilage," she said to herself one day, after a visit from the serious young lady who would so dearly have loved to be mistress of Winningston. "Edith Muir knows all about those things and everything else that Willy takes interest in—while I—I only cared for tennis and amusing myself. How interested Willy was in what she was saying about her father's short-horns. If only I could talk like that! Indeed, I can't think why Willy didn't marry her instead of me."

Poor child—yes, she was a child yet, though she was turned five and twenty—if only she had known that Lorrimor at that moment was smiling broadly to himself at the remembrance of Miss Edith's amazing display of knowledge. "Thank goodness, Olly doesn't pretend to know anything about theoretical farming.

True, Olly did not know anything about any kind of farming; but then neither did she know anything of the real state of Lorrimor's mind, any more than Lorrimor knew of the state of hers. So for a little while longer they went blindly on, awaiting the advent of that baby! Somehow, although neither had a word to say about it, both Olly and Lorrimor had a dim idea that that baby would make a difference and set everything right.

"If it is only a boy," sighed Olly to herself, "an heir, then Willy can't be sorry he married me."

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aure that it would be a boy," she sobbed passionately to the old doctor a few hours after the baby was born. "I knew a boy would set everything right. And now-now-it's only a girl and what will Willy care about a girl? He might have cared for a boy—and then a strong hand gently pulled the doctor out of the way and pointed to the door.
"You won't excite her," the doctor whispered warningly.
"Excite her—No," in a vigorous whisper back. "I worship every hair of her head and the very ground she walks on. Olly, my darling," he went on in a louder tone as he bent over his wife's little pale and anxious face. "What was that nonsense I heard you talking just now? What is it that needs putting right between us two? Not that baby surely?"
But Olly, now that she had come face to face with an explanation, was not very willing to take advantage thereof. "I—well—I—" she began, confusedly.
"Well?" said he.
"I began to think you, didn't care for me," she whispered.
"At least that I bored you—" confusedly. "Hey?" with a comical look of bewilderment.
"That is—"

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"Olly," he said, as she paused, "you didn't get to think that you didn't care for me? Did

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"Oh, Willy!"

"Then that's all right; and you thought I had set my heart on a boy, and wouldn't even look at a girl. Was that it?"

"I don't know," then she burst out. "I seemed so useless—so—so—as if I didn't know anything about the things you take interest in, and whenever Edith Muir came, she always seemed to know all about it, and to interest you—and—and—"

"And I was chuckling over her mistakes all the time," Lorrimor laughed. "And there is nurse. Nurse, I should like to know when I'm to be honored with a glimpse of that baby."

THE END.

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ice broke up. He was so fortunate as to find the watch when he dredged for it last week. When brought to the surface it was still ticking and only a few minutes behind time. The owner explains this somewhat startling fact by stating that the watch lay on the bed of the river in such a position that the ebb and flow of the tide has wound it up every day. We remember reading in our geography that the tides down East were very remarkable; now we know it.—Life.

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"If only I could got a little bit warm I wouldn't mind this brutally hollow feeling in my insides," he was saying. "Yes, I'm jolly cold, and confound it I'm edging round to fearful hunger. Thank God, I'm not thirsty. I suppose if I were lost in a desert now I'd be dying from sunstroke and thirst, so this isn't so bad, is it? Yes, thank God, I'm not thirsty."

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No one answered him.

"I wish I wasn't so tired and so devilish sleepy—it scares me to feel sleepy. Billy Kennedy used to say when he was a mounted policeman that sleepiness was the last stage—the very last stage. D'you think it's so?"

He turned on his side, his brows puckering a little with impatience, and listened for his companion's reply. Then he laughed, a crazy little laugh, and snuggled up again into a bunch with his cheek on the horse's throat.

There was a mimic warmth yet in the animal, but not so much as in the man. The poor bast had had sixteen hours' disadvantage of his master. The man had appropriated for his individual sufferings the inadequate dribblings from a small flask.

The horse lay quite still, its big brown neck pulsing once in a long while, when the blood, slowly thickening to ice, pounded through its sluggish heart. The man lay still, too, talking in fragmentary sentences that always terminated with a question.

At last he raised himself on his elbows, and looked into the west, across the uneven regularity of his horse's ribs.

Plains, plains, everywhere, crossed by an unmeaning infinity of telegraph poles. The sun would set within a half hour, and the sky up around it was growing yellowy, with a flash or two of thinnish pink. Away off to the left an evil-looking smoke-colored cloud was bunching itself together. Westward, miles and miles away, the foot-hills bubbled up along the horizon. That was all he saw.

"The smoke-colored cloud means more snow," said the man attempting to rise—It was old, that pleasant sensation in his knees; below them there was no sensation at all, and he stumbled over the horse's hoofs into a stiff little heap at the animal's neck again.

"Yes, Dobbin, we're mighty cold, you and I, aren't we'old man't Lev's try our schoolboy trick." He put his fingers in his mouth, and present

parasol. "How villainously hot your Canadian Augusts are, anyway. I'm nearly broiled," he continued, flopping on to the grass beside her. "Poor old fellow," she laughed, "but you needn't growl about it; it's far cooler than it was this morning."

Nevertheless, you were out this morning?"

"Yes."
"Driving?"
"Yes"—doggedly.
"With Connelly?"
"Yes, with Mr. Connelly." The tone was lower and tinged with defiance.
He bit his under lip thoughtfully.
"Milly"—taking both her hands—"have I never asked you, dear, not to drive with Connelly?"

"Yes—but—"
"Ah! I know; it's the same old excuse.
Don't say it, Milly, its so—so—hackneyed."
"I will say it, Ned. You've never taken me out once, and you know how I like driving.
Am I to miss all my pleasure simply because I'm engaged to you? It's absurd."
"I never asked you not to drive with the other fellows; it's Connelly I object to."
"Yes, and its Mr. Connelly who has the nicest horse and trap in town, and who asks me the oftenest. There's no use denying it, Ned., you're ridiculously, ungenerously jealous."

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He was keeping his temper well.

"If, dear, I had not been hoarding up every penny so as to get for us the nicest house in the nicest part of the town, you know well enough I'd drive you every day; but I'm—I'm—poor, and can't do everything."

"Oh! I know," she said fretfully, "and at all events, until our engagement is announced—but there! I won't quarrel with you any more; to please you I'll stay in, stay in, stay in until—"Milly," he interrupted, "you are not acting the truth. Jackson told me this morning he intended driving you over to the Park, but I know as well as if I'd heard you that you shipped him on the chances of going with Connelly—it isn't Connelly's horse and trap at all—it's the man."

It was not a flush of anger that swept into her cheeks.

"Io's has gone on long enough, Mill," he continued.

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He shrugged his shoulders.
"I don't like giving reasons, particularly when they involve people; but I'll tell you once for all, I'd have taken you out driving often this summer had my own money been in my own pocket. I've been fool enough to play cards with Connelly—do you understand?"
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"Ah!"—ironically—"birds of a feather. I see no difference between man and man at a gaming table."
"But I tell you he's a blackguard. There's not a fellow in town who'll sit down to a table with him now. The man cheats, and, moreover lives by it."
Her eyebrows arched coolly.
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There was a heavy silence, he poked the toe of his boot with his walking cane, and listened intently when a gray locust got up cracking its wings loudly in the down-pouring sunshine. The sound was a relief. He spoke then.

"I came to tell you that I am obliged to leave with Jackson for the North-West to-night; it is a matter of business that may mean the fortunes of all my future. I will be home for Christmas"—his voice jarred on his own ears.

"Don't trouble to get back on my account, it is bothersome to be tied to time. You might just as well stay the winter there."

She would not kiss him when he asked her, but after he had gone she threw herself at full length on the grass, her heart bleeding with anger and a soul-sickness she could not name. She never knew that he looked back when he reached the little rise in the yellow wagon road—looked, with a heartache that spoks in his eyes, at the reclining white-clad figure. The sunlight fitting through the pinky parasol cast a flush over her face—he never knew that in reality her cheeks were deadly pale, her eyes scared and troubled, or that all through the long night that followed, she was saying with lips burled in her pillow—"Ned, Ned, come back to me dear, I want you; Oh! God, I want you."

Late one December night he had said:

"Jackson, you're a good soul, lend me your horse, there's a trump. I've got to go over to Edmonton, and I'll only be away a week ar ten days. I won't bother you with favors again for a long while; I'm going back to England when I return."

Jackson's hand-clasp was so thoroughly kind and hearty, his voice sor rich with good fellow-ship—so musical—so almost flute-like, me wonder he could sing so beautifully. Is that he singing now? No, it is only the wind getting up and swashing through the telegraph wires.

The smoke-colored cloud had come and the

snow was falling softly, whirling now and again in little circles about Dobbin's ears. The man turned his head ever so slightly, bringing his cheek to rest flatly on the animal's throat—it was ice to ice. The horse was quite cold now.

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"And how long will you be away in Canada, Neddy?" a pretty child was saying.

"Oh! about two years, little sister," he answered.

"And oh! Neddy, will you bring me back a pretty pair of Indian moccasins all worked at the tce; and lined with fur like those cousin Louise has?"

"Yes, pussy-wussy, I'll bring you the moccasins." She was tugging away at his big hands, her cheek rubbing up and down his coat sleeve, her yellow hair falling all over his wrists.

"And. Neddy, you'll wear the purple mittens."

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"And, Neddy, you'll wear the purple mittens grandma showed me how to make, won't you? Wear 'em all the time, won't you?"

"Oh! yes, I'll wear 'em, even with my dress clothes."

Some one laughed then, a rippling, dulcet laugh. No, it was not laughter either, it was only the wind again in the telegraph wires.

"What's that?" said Larcque, pointing to a lumpy-looking, white mound, about fifty yards distant. His brother looked across the snow, and a Metis woman left her breakfast, came to the tepee door and looked also.
"Don't know"—this in bad Patios. "Was it there last night when we pitched?" Larcque shook his head.
"It was snowing too hard to see."
"It's a dead horse," said the Metis woman in Sioux.

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Larocque took a snowshoe in his hand. The train dogs started up and watched him. The Metis woman tramped at his heels. One scoop of the snowshoe, a little gust of wind whirled the floury stuff aside, and they bent down to look closely. It was a good face that lay on the rough brown throat of the horse. A good face—young, fair, with a line of pathos somewhere near the trozen lips.

She had picked up a purple woolen thing and was brushing the snow from it. Her quick liberal was provided to the snow from it. Her quick liberal was provided to the snow from it. Her quick liberal was provided to the snow from it.

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Cleopatra.—Writing shows some ideality and perception, a love of things beautiful, some taste and appreciation of life's good things. It also shows lack of judgment and with good persevance, want of decision and energetic impulse. I believe you're a little given to dreaming, my fair smpress, and your vision isn't as clear as would be good for you. You aren't bad-tempered, but you are like underdone bread—a little heavy.

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No. 2.—Writing shows caprice, lack of proportion, a rather matter-of-fact disposition with a large sense of self-timportance. The writer is not very generous nor amiable, importance. The writer is not very generous nor amiable, importance. The writer is not you are the friends. She is rather self-opinionated and a little prone to sit in Judgment on her neighbors, has perhaps a liking for sharp speech but is not a bit malicious. Is isn't the most satisfactory of studies.

Bravar — Writing shows strength, energy, but not that judgment which always hits the nail on the head, a lack of persistence and a tendency so over estimation in plans and calculations that is misleading it yourself and others. Not very housent but sufficiently determined. Some tack and decided good temper, even when you do get angry is is soon over. Your writing has its faults, but is, like yourself, well worth studying. I wish you success.

Iscantor — Writing shows some strength, but not infailible judgment, a want of decision and some proneness to gain the end by a crooked way, not much originality nor faculty for organization, sems quiet persistency if not giving you too much trouble. You are, I think, one of those people whom it is hard to correst and unsafe to count up in as just what one expects. You have a good deal of versatility and a genius for smoothing over rough corners.

Simplicity, Owen Bound.—Writing shows some candour, generosity, a tendency to unsustained effort. You are pleasant and companionable, good tempe et, careful and reliable, you have not enough perseverance, determination or energy to tit you for a very trying calling, but your many estimable traits will always deserve consideration. I jould not possibly suggest anything unless I know your

think it a wrong thing to do, not an improper one; but if you don't agree with me, from the promptings of your own feelings any arguments of mine won't do you good. 2. Your writing abow semper, impulse, want of cultivation, decided determination, lask of refinement, nather a bright and merry disposition with ended no change to despondency. I sincerely advise you to stay at home as Sunday evenings, my dear frixle, if you only outing is the one you inquire about. Let me hear from you again if you wish to ask mors questions. I shall be glad to answer them.

BEREAT.—Why shouldn't an old maid be good-tempered? Surely she mend only gars upon the married people or e sees every day to make her devoutly thankful for her single blemsedness. This old maid has some resources which ought to give her happiness. I see in her writing strength of mind, some love of beauty, though not great perception. Her fault seems a certain harehness of judgment and want of gancross sympathy, and her temper would be better if she would study as hard the good points of her friends as she involute-ii, dees their short comings. A too sharp oriticism is like a boomerang, it nearly always comes salling back, to the confusion of its author. Don't be sorry to be growing old, Betsey, but he anxious not to lose the bleerings that age brings—the wise tolerance, the mild patience, the enlarged knowledge of the world and they that are in it. I am sometimes glad to mises the swift coming years for these gifts they bring ms. I don't think this old maid, whose heart is still so young as to love the country face of nature as he strolls through the woods and fields, needs much my advice, but if she feels harsell couring is the raise up some sarnest work which will exact all the virtues she is losing. And if it is heart emplinees let her fill it with those unloved of God's little and big ones, who are, in country and town, always with us. Draw in those aimless longings, which, like those ewooping salis tu your letters, Betsey, are neither useful nor ornamenta

which, like those ewooping table in your letters, Betsey, are neither useful nor ornamental.

PROA.—Your writing shows good natural talent, corresponding good opision of yourself, a little exaggeration in ideas, great fondness for planning and I sunst allow, ability to carry out your plans, but Plos, while you would be generous ever big things, a was afraid you might be decidedly mass over little mess, and afraid you might be decidedly mass over little mess, and afraid you might be decidedly mass over little mess, and afraid you might be decidedly ness over little mess, and afraid you resent other touch lightly, perhaps you have been which you resent other become in the same of the people's lightly handling. You are orderly, of an inquiring mind, very original in your methods and decided in your opions, and could study your writing for an hour- and control of the people you meet. You may be the making of great happiness is the few and sems good to the many, but I'd rather your nature were yours than mine. Your enclosure No. I is the exact opposed in every particular to your own. It is an undisciplined, careless, sloventy corawl with several petty faults strongly accented and traces of temper, want of self-control, caprice, unreliability.

sarcaem but No. 2 writes it in perfect good faith. Thanks for three opposite and interesting studies. I enclose you the specimens as you desired.



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eye saw the uneven stitches, the knots, the general workmanship of the thing.
"Holy Virgin!" said Larocque, "it's a mitt, a woolen mitt, and I have none; where's the other?"

As he stooped to take it from the stiff, white hand, something clutched his arm with rude gentleness: "Don't—some child made it," said the Metis woman.

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Alkici.—Quotations are not studied. Send a longer original study if you wish a good delineation. Lady Gay will be much indebted to you if you will kindly give her the name of the author of your quotation.

Juda.—Your study is not very satisfactory, and I should like you to send me a longer one, having both mixed up as it were on one scrap of paper, and youse being merely a copy of Jumbo's, I oan's do it very clearly.

SEVENTMENT IN ONE ENVELORS.—Even my graphological patience were out under this sérain. The "large party, some of whom are rather sceptical," ann go on their way unbelieving or read separate and more complete studies. You are all in the wasts paper basket together!

Jumbo No. 2.—You are fun-loving and funny, energetic and careful but not too particular in small matters, is some things you are peculiar. You have a large heart and are fond of a good time, and you prefer comfort to style any day. I don't think you'd quarrel to get your own way.

Miss Shith.—Your writing has been studied. Your inquiries, if I reussimber aright, referred to Edna Lyall and K. M. Shanley. Cha you not recall them? How would "Jet," "Smut" or "Schwarts" do! If selfshness had been very evident in your chirography you'd have heard of it.

been very evident in your chirography you'd have heard of it.

Enquiring.—Writing shows great ideality and perception, reliability, constancy, perseverance, strong proportion and good sense, a little tendency to unnecessary force of language, and some wasted effort, a disposition to look at things on the bright side, you are large hearted and kind. 1, \$400. 2. No. 3 Yes.

Generia.—I hope your mumps are well by this time. Your writing shows tack and love of pretty things, a happy nature, open sumi frank, prone to little sudden impulses and pretty ways, hast just a trife exacting and capricious. You are kindly and generus and sumetimes given to fistery. You love to talk and laugh.

J. I. C.—Quotations are not studied. From the few words accompanying your quotakion I can glean nothing, and think your hand is too unformed to give you a satisfactory study. It shows kindness, generosity, cander, some perception, but is too strained and unnatural as yet. It has, however, the material for good things.

Helian Bravaica.—Writing shows good-nature, a little self-esteem, not much love of order or perseverance, a touch of melancholy, probably an affalse manner and a gentle and kindly hears. I think you love much, and can put your feel down firmly when necessary and when you want your war you get it. You did not give my much of a tudy, files B.

Innocesses.—I. Print d. 2 No; but it places the brides a disadyantage. S. I don't think you would make a

study, Helen B.

Ismoczecz.—1. Print d. 2 No; but it places the bride at a disadvantage. 3. I don't think you would make a good nurse—first, because your writing shows lack of care and sympathy, and also want of tanta and determination; but it is unformed, and I fancy you are not very old yet. You

circumstances. 2. Yes. I think we could supply them.

JUMBO.—Writing shows impulse which mars effort, impatience and want of tenacity, independence, some intuition, love of society, and desire for praise, uprightness, concicionitiousness, but while the writer enters into projects with great enthusiasm she is apt to "peter out," as the Westerners say, tefore she finishes her work. It gets finished, but not in the way is was begun. It is how also rather a disposition opposed to fancy and wedded to facts. PACHS.—Writing denotes determination, a rather posicial turn of thought, not great buoyancy or hopefulness, a love of even and beasten paths, some text said a decided love of praise, rather a persistent nature in a quiet way, you have aquaint and lovable twist in your essentially feminine nature. Psche, and I should find you a kind and dear little friend I am sure were I is the fortunate shoes of your quoted correspondent—not much "Chinese Puzzle" about that is there?

Tish.—Writing shows great intuition, love of beauty probably taste for poetry and art, some perseverance, but not very strongly developed, adaptability, good temper. I think you like the hear other people raked ever the coals, but without malice or uncharitableness. You would love well and often, Tish, and when you finally made up your mind I fars you'd be kind and constant You like to be praised, and you generally think you deserve it, and you can be very agreeable and pleasanch in company.

Hiero.—Writing shows humor, love of social intercourse, great hopefulness, some intuition, imaginative power. You are persistent and a little wee bit selfish, though even for yourself you don't become grasping. You are fond of change and like new departures. You are a little self-willed, and you waste time and effort sometimes in unpractical evensay. Perhaps this may refer to a trick of inflating and exaggerating in your conversation, but the real work you do you carry through and finsh neatly and eatly and eatly and eatly and eatly and eatly and eatly and eat

factorily.

CLOVER.—Your writing shows a good many of the characteristics of your friend Gentie, but suchs the little spurts of impulse. You observe more and say less, and you are moulded on larger lines. You are mure persevering and reliable as well as slower in making up your mind. I think at a pinch you would act wnile Gentie would rqueak for help. You are both rather found of number one and not prone to lay out any great amount of energy in the service of your neighbors, though your natures are just and kind. Both handwritings are creditable and good.

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womanly graces, the writer may be a mustrian but I am not sure enough to say as decidedly. This study has made ms quite victous, and I am going to let out one little ref-dees the writer keep her hair tidy? No. 2 is a pleasant, hopeful, happy, openhearted nature, a wise observer and a gressrous friend, probably amiable and tond of a good laugh, I don't think she is too foud of her own way in which she differs pleasantly from No. 1, but she generally stoke to any end she may have in view until she achieves her desire, ahe enjoys being praised and tries her best to be degreed, and of approbation. By what strange epistolary freak is always and the work of the contract of the contra



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CURRIE-At Toronto, on June 1, Gertrude May Currie ned I months. DEAN-At Toronto, on May 31, Eva Numekurn Dean, aged 34 years.
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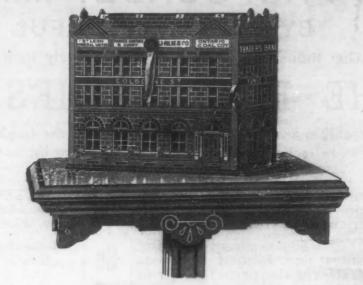
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